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ROSSI



Paolo Rossi doing what he does best — scoring goals. This goal knocked Brazil out of the 1982 World Cup finals and sent Italy through to the semifinals.

By
LAURIE SCHWAB

The top attraction of the international series which starts here at the end of the month, undoubtedly will be Paolo Rossi of Juventus.

He was top scorer of the 1982 World Cup, won by his team, Italy, and also was voted best player of the tournament.

The magazine "World Soccer" voted him World Footballer of the Year for 1982, ahead of Karl-Heinz Rummenigge and third-placed Fehes of Roma and Brazil.

Two of Rossi's Juventus team mates also polled well, Gaetano Scirea finishing eighth with Johan Cruyff, and Zbigniew Boniek coming 10th.

The story of Paolo Rossi comes straight out of football fiction. If you read it in a novel you'd throw it away as absurdly fanciful. Life doesn't work that way.



The great Paolo Rossi, in action for Italy, leaves Brazil's Socrates in his wake.

Banned for two years

Banned for two years in the Italian match-fixing scandal, Rossi returned to action at the tail end of the league season, almost immediately became league champion with Juventus, then picked up the pieces of his international career to such effect that he finished as top scorer in the World Cup finals — and was a goal-scoring member of the Italian side who beat West Germany in the final itself in Madrid.

That Rossi plays football at all is remarkable. Born in Prato on September 23, 1956, he was picked up in his late teens by Juventus but a series of carriage operations meant that his future as an inside or outside right wasn't rated very highly by the Turin giants.

They sent him on loan first to Como, then to second division Lanerossi Vicenza. Here Rossi met a man who recognised his potential.

Czech Gian Battista Fabbri switched him to centre forward with immediate success.

Slim, quick and skilful, Rossi was hard to pin down in the penalty box. He was brave as well, unafraid to go in where the boots were flying.

Scoring 21 goals he lifted Vicenza into the first division where a hat-trick against Roma earned an international debut against Belgium in December, 1977.

The end of that season saw Rossi crowned as the league's top scorer with 24 goals and his World Cup explosion in the finals in Argentina.

Juventus now wanted him back. But Vicenza president Gianni Farina raised enough cash to outbid them for the "other half" of Rossi and he became their player entirely.

To pay the 1.75 million pound fee, however, Vicenza had to sell many other players. Despite Rossi's continued flow

of goals Vicenza were relegated the next year and Rossi was once more put out on loan: this time to first division Perugia at a cost of 600,000 pounds for one season! He hadn't been there a season, however, before the betting scandal emerged.

Rossi forever protected his innocence; that whatever was arranged about the 2-2 draw with Avellino, he knew nothing of it. But the league authorities banned him for three years, reduced on appeal to two.

During that time Rossi trained alone, until Juventus came along to finally buy back the boy they had cast aside all those years before.

He played the last three games of the 1981-82 season and then scored six goals in Spain including a hat-trick against Brazil and the opening goal in the World Cup final — to complete one of football's most staggering fairytales.

'JUVE' FOR MCG?

A decision was expected as we went to Press, on whether the Melbourne Cricket Ground will be used for the Australia v Juventus match on June 10.

It would be the first soccer match at the MCG since the Olympic Games final between the USSR and Yugoslavia on 8 December, 1956. The game preceded the closing ceremony of the 1956 Games, and was attended by a crowd of 102,000.

The secretary of the Melbourne Cricket Club, Dr John Lill, said the Australian Soccer Federation had asked to use the MCG.

The ASF's marketing director, Mr Peter Sheehan, said the ASF may be interested in staging up to four matches on the MCG next month, but the Australia-Juventus match was the No 1 priority.

"We want to provide the best possible seating accommodation to the Melbourne public, and you can't get any better facilities than those at the MCG," he said.

"We would locate the playing pitch to one side of the main oval, giving us at least 40,000 seats overlooking the play."

The match on 10 June is one of 20 games in a month-long international series involving Juventus of Italy, Iraklis of Greece, Nottingham Forest, Manchester United, Glasgow Rangers, and Australia.

The series will be played in Melbourne, Sydney, Adelaide, Brisbane, Perth, Canberra and Newcastle.

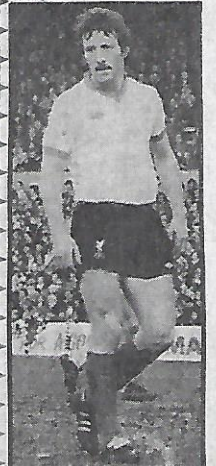
— LAURIE SCHWAB

Jimmy Case in Perth

Brighton and Hove Albion and former Liverpool star midfielder Jimmy Case arrives in Perth next week to start a guest match stint as a guest player with West Australian State League club Kingsway Olympic.

The 29-year-old former England under-23 international has made over 200 Football League appearances, scoring 23 league goals.

Case transferred from Liverpool to Brighton in 1982 for \$700,000.



Brighton midfielder Jimmy Case

What the hell's happening, asks Scott Patterson

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

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Steak sandwiches and hamburgers bewitch Scott Patterson but when I spoke to him last week he was too bothered and bewildered by press reports of his call-up to national team training to worry about maintaining the legend of his appetite.

"I read in the papers that Frank Arok had called me up for Soccer Action training but no-one's been in touch with me. I'm still waiting to be invited," said the Heidelberg Alexander striker.

"Theo Selemidis came up to me at Heidelberg training last week and congratulated me. I didn't have a bloody clue about what he was talking about."

For the record, national coach Arok told "Soccer Action" editor Laurie Schwab on Monday and again on Tuesday last week that he was inviting Patterson to training. The National Conference players in Arok's squad trained at Olympic Park in Melbourne last Wednesday and Thursday but at the last minute Arok changed his mind about Patterson for he felt that he had too many forwards in the squad and wanted to bolster the midfield department. But Arok's sudden change of mind came after he released the news of Patterson's call-up to the press.

Nevertheless, Arok's interest in Patterson reflects the amazing turnaround in the 22-year-old's soccer fortunes. Patterson was ready to give the game away last year during the 10 weeks he spent in limbo at Heidelberg. He couldn't get a game with the first team, and the seconds, playing in the Metro Second Division, already had their quota of four National League players in their line-up.

Ken Morton was coaching Heidelberg then. Patterson was in his first year with the club, having joined from Victorian State League outfit Box Hill. Patterson played five NSL games for Heidelberg before being dropped by Morton. That's when his frustrating period in the soccer wilderness began. It looked to have ended when he was picked to play in the Second

Division side but he didn't turn up for the match. The next day Morton told Patterson that he had been fined \$200 and was on the transfer list.

The Heidelberg board denied that Patterson was transfer listed. The board never told him that he was on the list so it figured that it didn't need to tell him that he was off the list. The matter only was resolved when Morton was sacked and Jim Tansey took over as player-coach. Tansey put Patterson back in the first team and the fiery redhead, who admits to having "a bastard of a temper," never has looked back.

"It's the Irish in my blood that accounts for my temper. My father (Wally) comes from Belfast."

Stormed out

Sunshine City knows about Patterson's temperament. He joined it in 1980, played three reserve games "was told by coach Ian Peterick that he was in the seniors, a decision reserve games, was told by then turned up for the reserve game only to find that he was on the bench!"

"I stormed out. Sunshine rang me and told me that they were only testing my attitude. I told them that they'd found out what my attitude was like, so now they could stick their club."

The next episode in Patterson's soccer career was even more controversial.

He played under an assumed name for Riversdale in the Industrial League for the remainder of the 1980 season. Riversdale, with star striker Scott "Dickson" in its ranks, won the league championship. But in "Dickson's" last match, his real identity was discovered. Riversdale lost the points it had won with "Dickson" playing and ended up in last position in the league and was relegated.

Patterson was suspended by the VSF for 12 weeks.

"I won the best and fairest award at Riversdale that year. They probably only had about \$80 in the bank and spent it all on this huge trophy they gave me. I felt so guilty I gave it back. But they're a great bunch of blokes down there and I still go and watch them play whenever I get the chance."

Patterson started playing with Box Hill as a seven year old. He was 15 when he first played in Box Hill's reserves and made his first team debut when he was 16.

"I went to Sunshine because Box Hill refused to give me a \$500 maximum in my contract."

Goals galore

His return to Box Hill in 1981, after serving that 12 week suspension, was spectacular. He scored eight goals in eight games with the reserves and seven goals in five games with the first team. In 1982 Box Hill finished second in Metro First Division to Fawkner and won promotion to State League.

"I wanted more money and Box Hill couldn't afford it. Peter Ollerton had rung me up so I trained with Preston. Their president (John Branov) told me that I'd make a good apprentice there. That staggered me. I wanted to play in the firsts and try and prove myself in the National League. Anyway, I asked for \$3000 to sign-on for two years. I wanted to test them. I wanted to see if they really wanted me or not. They turned me down so I

went back to Box Hill and believe me, what I asked for was reasonable. They turned me down too and put me on the list."

"I was starting to shit myself at the time, wondering whether or not I'd get a club, but Morton got in touch and signed me. The transfer fee was \$5,000."

"It was okay at the start but once I got dropped and wasn't even playing in the reserves, I was ready to chuck it completely. Morton threw me into the match against Footscray after I'd lost a lot of fitness through not playing for 10 weeks. I thought to myself that's real bloody nice of him. I was snuffed at half time in that game and got the big hook 15 minutes into the second half."

"Morton got sacked after the following match against St. George and Tanzy took over. That was a great thing for me. In fact, if it wasn't for Tanzy I wouldn't be at Heidelberg right now."

He's a great coach. His training is nothing flash but it's straight down the line. That's what Tanzy is like. He's one of the first coaches I've had who played it really straight. There was none of this yapping behind your back stuff. Respect is probably one of the most important things any coach can have and Tanzy certainly had the respect of the Heidelberg players."

However, Heidelberg didn't re-appoint Tanzy for the 1984 season. Instead, Englishman Brian Garvey was hired.

"During the Buffalo Gold Summer Cup earlier this year I started to wonder whether we'd ever win a bloody game this season. That's how bad we were. Our first three league results were bad. We lost to Hellas, drew with Sunshine-George Cross, then lost to Preston. But the next match, against Brisbane, we won. That was the turning point. We won 3-1 and haven't been beaten since."

A team of triers

"We've got a good bunch of young blokes at Heidelberg and we all fight for each other. Most of us still have to prove ourselves in the National League. That's why we put in each week. That's the secret to our success."

"South Melbourne Hellas has all these superstars in its team. These blokes have nothing to prove individually whereas we've got a bunch of triers."

"We can go close to winning the league. A lot will depend on what this bloke from England (Peter Devine) is like. He's a forward, which is just what we need. With me and Steve Winn scoring, there's not a lot of pressure on us to keep our spots. That's bad."

"It also would be great to have someone like Gary McDowell in midfield. He'd give us that bite we need in the tough games."

Patterson scored just one NSL goal last year. His target in 1984 was 10 but he's changed that after scoring six goals before last Sunday's big clash with Brunswick Juventus. Now his target is 15.

He's also made one appearance for the Victorian state team. That was in 1982 when Watford walloped Victoria 4-0.

"The first thing on my mind is trying to establish myself in the NSL. If I can do that then I'll start to think about getting into the state team and maybe the national team."

Mitre ball quiz

Here are this week's questions, the answers to which can be found in our National Soccer Annual, now on sale at your newsagents, price \$1.50.

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Here are this week's questions:

1. Name the Victorian club which won the 1923 Docketry Cup.
2. K. Elliott of Spearwood Delmarine was runner-up in last year's West Australian

State League goalscoring list. How many goals did he score?

3. Polonia won South Australia's Coca-Cola Cup last year. What was the scoreline and what team did Polonia beat in the final?

4. Melita and Croatia finished first and second in last year's NSW State League First Division first grade ladder. Name the teams which finished third and fourth.

5. Who was the leading scorer for Rapid West Point in the Tasmanian Cadbury League last year?

Last week's winner was JOHN NIGRO, 19 Norwood Drive, East Kallor, Victoria. The answers were: 1. 16 goals, 2. 20 full internationals, 3. Northern Ireland, 4. S. Gregory, 5. C. Allison.



Heidelberg Alexander striker Scott Patterson

Lambropoulos learned from John Kosmina

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

John Kosmina gave 18 year-old Sydney Olympic defender Alex Lambropoulos a lesson the teenager never will forget when Sydney City Hakoah beat Olympic 2-1 in March this year.



Alex Lambropoulos

"Kosmina's a very physical player, on and off the ball. I was surprised at first, but now I accept that that sort of thing is all part of the game," said Lambropoulos.

"Kosmina certainly is the toughest opponent I've come up against so far."

Playing against players of Kosmina's stature is an important part of Lambropoulos's soccer education. The Olympic youngster made his NSL debut against St. George Budapest in this year's opening round. He partnered another young player, Tony Dakos, in the centre of Olympic's defence and despite having to contend with the class and vast experience of Saints' ace striker Dez Martin, these young players were instrumental in Olympic gaining a point from its 0-0 draw at St George Stadium.

It's been a big year so far for Lambropoulos. Apart from breaking into the NSL, he was selected last week in the NSW under-18 team which will contest the national youth championships in Canberra this month.

Lambropoulos was born in Sydney. His parents came to Australia from Greece in 1953. His mother comes from Sparta and his father from Kalamata.

Lambropoulos started his career in the under-six side at Tanania RSL. During his seven years there he was coached by Frank Price, an important influence on his career.

"I started off as a striker but it was Frank who told me that with my height I could develop into a central defender."

For five of his seven years at Tanania, Lambropoulos represented Bankstown District. He played for Bankstown Federation in 1980 at under-14 level and also represented NSW.

In 1981, he was pulling on the famous colors of Marconi. The Lambropoulos family had moved close to Fairfield and Alex had been lured to Marconi by his friends. How-

ever, the attraction of Olympic to every young Greek boy in Sydney proved too much and in 1982 Lambropoulos joined the great Greek club and played in its youth team alongside Dakos and quite a few senior Olympic players who from time to time played as over-age players.

Now in his third year with Olympic, he's about to establish himself as a senior NSL player.

"It's very competitive at Olympic, even at training, because so many players are trying to grab a place in the team and hold onto it."

"Our backline is good and if you have a look at our midfielders then you'll see that most of them have played for Australia. There's room for improvement up front in my opinion. Marshall Soper needs more help up there."

And what about Olympic coach Manfred Schaefer, the former Socceroo great?

"What can I say about Manfred? He's the bloke who gave me my chance. He knew nothing about me at first but he had a look at me and put me in the side. He's a very honest and friendly person, and he's a good coach."

Former Olympic coaches Doug Collins and Tommy Docherty also had a good look at Lambropoulos. Collins was going to put the youngster into the first team but was sacked and Docherty helped Lambropoulos to decide between work and training. He gave the teenager an ultimatum and Lambropoulos left his hair-dressing job and centred on soccer.

Maybe that's one we'll all owe the Doc in a few years time if Lambropoulos continues to develop and lives up to the glowing predictions about his future in Australian soccer.

Liverpool fans meet

An Australian branch of the worldwide Liverpool Supporters' Club was formed in Geelong recently.

Many attended from far and wide, including many from Melbourne.

Officials to run the branch and organise functions are: president, Mr Rod Stowers; chairman, Joe Newell; secretary, Ron Spencer; committee: Miss J. Gerrard, Messrs Guinane, McMullen, Leahy, Mercer and Jameson.

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BIG FOUR STILL WAITING

By LAURIE SCHWAB



National coach Frank Arok makes a point to Charlie Yankos.

Arno Bertogna, Tony Henderson, Peter Katholos and Tommy Cumming remained the most glaring omissions from the national squad as coach Frank Arok and his assistants prepared to name their 'A' and 'B' squads tomorrow (Thursday).

Rod Brown (Marconi), Charlie Egan (SM-Hellas), Richard Miranda (Juventus), Sean Keogh (Juventus), Steve Gojevic (Melb. Croatia), Jeff Oliver and Theo Selemidis (Heidelberg-Alexander) all were added to the training squad last week, but Bertogna, Henderson, Katholos and

Cumming were overlooked.

Heidelberg striker Scott Patterson was to have been added as well. Arok announced that Patterson was in, but at the last moment, he decided he had too many strikers at the expense of midfielders and defenders, so he chose Gojevic instead, although Gojevic now plays as striker for Croatia because his coach Terry Hennessy believed he does not have the defensive qualities to be a midfielder. Previously, Gojevic played wide on the left, as does Patterson.

But don't get me wrong — all are good players.

My point is that Bertogna, Henderson, Katholos and Cumming are even better.

Bertogna, in particular, has been starting lately in ARIA's climb to the top of the ladder.

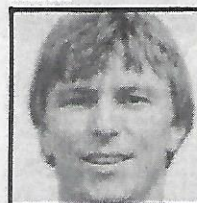
And if Arok intends to counter our strong overseas opponents by using a sweeper and two stoppers, then Bertogna should not have been bypassed.

He is among the elite.

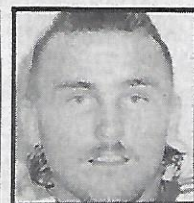
As for Henderson, he can play as sweeper, stopper, or in midfield. But the main reason he should have been in is because he was Australia's best player in the Merlion Cup tournament in Singapore, late last year, after making a comeback to the national squad. Justice, as they say, must not only be done, but it must be seen to be done. If Henderson was the team's best



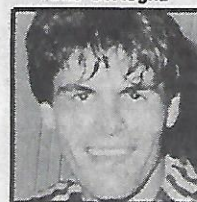
National squad training in Melbourne, from left: Doug Brown, Steve Blair, Peter Lewis (rear), Alan Davidson (obscured), Charlie Egan (front), Richard Miranda, Gary Cole, Tony Franken, Theo Selemidis, Steve Gojevic (obscured), Sean Keogh, Frank Farina, Joe Mullen.



Arno Bertogna



Tommy Cumming



Peter Katholos

player in late 1983, how can it appear just that he can't make the top 40 four months later?

Cumming, as everyone in Victoria knows, is one of the gutsiest players in the country. Ideally suited in the national team to a wide midfield role, similar to the one filled by Joe Watson.

Cumming has all the attributes Arok admires

so much — fanaticism about the game, fearlessness, leadership qualities — he is again player-coach of Croatia scoring ability, speed, ruthlessness.

As for Katholos, we all remember how he was Australia's No 1 player against England in Sydney last year, and how well he played in previous games.

During the Merlion Cup he unfortunately was injured, and at the start of the season, coach Manfred Schaefer left him out of the Sydney Olympic team. When Schaefer reinstated him — in a forward, rather than a midfield position — Katholos took the bit between his teeth, turned on some brilliant per-

formances, and started to score regularly.

Unfortunately, while Bertogna, Henderson, Katholos and Cumming were left out, many of the players in Arok's squad have not been playing well in the NSL, among them Gary Cole, Tony Dakos, Peter Lewis, Jim Patikas, Robbie Dunn and even Marshall Soper, who came good only in the interstate game against Queensland and who even was dropped by Olympic three weeks ago.

They've got time to improve, sure enough, but it would be so much more comfortable for Arok himself, were he to have men like Cumming, Henderson, Bertogna and Katholos at his disposal.

The Australian A and B squads will train in Sydney and Melbourne on May 15, 16 and 17, when each will be reduced to 18.

From May 22, the players will go into camp in hotels in Melbourne and Sydney, preparing for Australia A v Manchester United on May 26 (Sydney) and Australia B v Glasgow Rangers on May 27 (Melbourne).



Assistant national coach John Margaritis supervises warm-up exercises. From left: Charlie Egan, Gary Cole, Theo Selemidis, Steve Blair, Danny Wright.

Crowd threatens Bambridge

Victorian referee Chris Bambridge was forced to make a hasty exit after controlling the Kuwait v Saudi Arabia Olympic qualifying game in Singapore.

Saudi had gained a first-ever victory over its Arabian Gulf neighbour by an emphatic 4-1 margin and a group of flat-waving Kuwait supporters, looking for convenient scapegoats, chased after Bambridge and his linesmen as soon as the final whistle sounded.

The ever-efficient Singapore police however had made allowances for such a contingency and the match officials were hastily ushered from the arena via an emergency exit. Indignation towards Bambridge was totally unwarranted, as Kuwait was victim of its own complacency.

The Asian Cup holder appeared content to stroll around the paddock, waiting for goals to flow, and was shaken into urgency only when going one down in the 34th minute. Pandemonium erupted nine minutes into

the second half, following Saudi Arabia's second goal. Kuwait's coach, Tony Lopez, confronted a linesman, claiming scorer Mohaisen Aldarasi was offside, and this resulted in him being banished from the bench by Bambridge.

From that point on, the Australian had his hands full, trying but failing to stem the flood of vile fouls which marred the remainder of the match.

It was inevitable that at least one player would be sent off and the "honor" went to Kuwait's Waleed Al-Mubarak for a second bookable offence.

In addition, three players (two Saudis and one Kuwaiti) were shown the yellow card. Bambridge also refereed the play-off for third place.

Kuwait's result ended its involvement in the Olympics and may well mark the end of its reign as Asia's top team.

— PAUL MOON



Chris Bambridge

Oceania must steer clear of Asians says Dempsey

Charlie Dempsey, president of the Oceania Football Confederation, returned from the Olympic Games Qualifying Series in Singapore convinced that Oceania teams must never again have to face the problems of playing Asian sides in either Olympics or the World Cup.

New Zealand lost every match in Singapore.

An obviously frustrated Dempsey, interviewed at Auckland Airport, said: "I arrived in Singapore to find that Kuwait was pushing for New Zealand's expulsion from the Olympics then and there, and I agree with Kuwait! We should not be there. They feel we are not part of their world, and we aren't."

"I can assure you of one thing — we won't ever play again in Asian competitions for either World Cup or Olympics qualification. It's unfair to both us and the Asians. I can not see an Oceania country going in with nine Asian countries and the referees allowing the Oceania country to go through — it's against human nature."

By PAUL MOON

between the referees of Asia and Oceania was again apparent in Singapore, where the New Zealanders' physical advantages were nullified by officials who would not tolerate any bodily contact whatsoever.

Several referees officiating at the pre-Olympic tournament in Singapore were cited by the Asian Football Confederation for "substandard" performance. A report on the individual performance of the referees was handed to FIFA.

Kuwait, Asian Games champion in New Delhi in December 1983, charged that match officials had taken bribes that led to Kuwait's 1-4 defeat by Saudi Arabia on April 22.

And Asian Confederation secretary Peter Vellapan said Kuwait tried to bribe Indonesian referee Sudarso Hardjowanto to influence the outcome of the Saudi Arabia-South Korean match on April 24.

Vellapan said Kuwait offered the referee \$15,000 (about 16,350 Aust) but Hardjowanto refused to take it. The referee reported the matter to tournament organisers before the match, which Saudi Arabia won 5-4.

The alleged extortionist wanted the Koreans to win by a three-goal margin, which would have put Kuwait in a strong

position to win a berth for the Los Angeles Olympics.

The cash was to be handed over to the referee 30 minutes before kick-off.

"The instruction was that the referee had to contact one of the Kuwaiti officials for details of how to officiate the match," Vellapan said.

Saudi Arabia, Qatar and Iraq won the Asian berths for the Olympics. Kuwait was eliminated.

Ten nations participated. New Zealand's results:

V. Saudi Arabia 1-3, scorer for NZ: Herbert.
V. Kuwait 0-2.
V. South Korea 0-2.
V. Bahrain 0-1.

"Soccer Action" was able to obtain NZ's line-ups for only two of the games. They were:

Vs. Kuwait: Frank van Hattum, Ricki Herbert, Keith Garland, Ceri Evans, Adrian Elrick, Michael Groom, Duncan Cole, Peter Simonsen, Keith Mackay, Bill McClure (Glen Adam), Colin Tuua (Kevin Birch).

Vs. Bahrain: Frank van Hattum, Ricki Herbert, Ceri Evans, Keith Garland, Adrian Elrick, Michael Groom, Duncan Simonsen, Allan Both, Keith Mackay, Kevin Birch, (Frank de Jong), David Bur-



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Standings: St George 14, AIS 12, Olympic 12, APIA 12, Canberra 11, Newcastle 11, Melita Eagles 10, Blacktown 10, Penrith 8, Sydney Hakoah 7, Marconi 7, Croatia 6, Wollongong 4.

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4. Daunt (BL), Panagis (WA-Hellas).

Chance for Marconi

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Sydney City Hakoah should be on top of the Australian Conference ladder after beating Newcastle-Rosebud tonight (Wednesday) but could slip again in the big clash with Marconi at the Sydney Athletic Field on Sunday.

Tony Henderson will be back after suspension, as should Joe Rizzotto, in a match which will determine whether Marconi — the highest scoring team in the NSL — has what it takes to challenge for the championship.

The start-studded Marconi attack has been firing on all cylinders lately, while Craig Mason from Newcastle has added experience and composure to the midfield.

If Hakoah wins this one, it surely will be on course for its fifth NSL title.

Melbourne offers two top-flight drawdowns in Juventus v. Makedonia and J.U.S.T. v. Melbourne Croatia. The latter, incidentally, will be featured on Channel 9's "Match of the Day" on Sunday night.

Joe Carroll should be back after suspension, and Graham Tutill after suspension to strengthen the J.U.S.T. side, while Tommy Cumming, the new Croatia player-coach, returns after a shoulder injury.

Croatia starts as favorite because of its far superior forward line, but anything can happen in this clash between the traditional rivals.

Juventus coach John Margaritis hopes that star winger Andrew Zinni recovers from his leg injury. He should be okay, as he managed half a game against Heidelberg-Alexander last week.

Gary Ward played strongly after coming on as a substitute, as did Eddie Campbell, so Margaritis has some hard thinking to do before the match against Makedonia.

Oscar Crino returns to the Hellas midfield against Adelaide Juventus, while we're still waiting for Paul Lewis's first full match for Green Gully since his return from Hellas. Gully makes Brisbane City whose powerful defence probably will make this a draw.

APIA's in form centre-back Arno Bertogna will confront the NSL's top scorer, Peter Katholos in the big match against Sydney Olympic and it's likely that the outcome will be determined by this clash.

In Adelaide, a large crowd should attend the West Adelaide Hellas v. Heidelberg-Alexander clash, for these two are among the most entertaining teams in the NSL.

Team of the week

In brackets: No. of appearances in team of the week:

GREEDY (1) (StG Budapest)			
K. WILSON (2) (Melita Eagles)			
ROGERS (1) (Juventus)	MACLEOD (1) (Heid-Alexander)		
PETERSEN (2) (Heid-Alexander)	KAY (1) (S.C. Hakoah)	MIRANDA (3) (Juventus)	SERMANNI (1) (Canberra)
HEYS (1) (Makedonia)	KATHOLOS (1) (Syd Olympic)	MALAVAZOS (1) (WA-Hellas)	

This week's NSL games, with likely winners in capitals:

TONIGHT (WEDNESDAY)
SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH v. Newcastle Rosebud (postponed game) at St George Stadium, 7.45 pm.

SATURDAY
Newcastle-Rosebud v. Sunshine George Cross (draw) at Adamstown Oval, 2.30 pm.

SUNDAY
Penrith v. CANBERRA ARROWS at Cook Park, 3 pm.
Sydney City Hakoah v. MARCONI at Sydney Athletic Field, 3 pm.
Sydney Croatia v. Melita Eagles (draw) at King Tomislav Park, 3 pm.
Sydney Olympic v. APIA-LEICHHARDT at Pretton Park, 3 pm.
Wollongong v. ST GEORGE BUDAPEST at Wollongong Showgrounds, 3 pm.
Brisbane Lions v. BLACKTOWN CITY at Richlands, 3 pm.
Juventus v. Preston Makedonia (draw) at Olympic Park No. 2, 3 pm.
Footscray J.U.S.T. v. MELBOURNE CROATIA at Schindler Reserve, 3 pm.
Green Gully v. Brisbane City (draw) at Green Gully Reserve, 3 pm.
SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS v. Adelaide City Juventus at Middle Park, 3 pm.
West Adelaide Hellas v. HEIDELBERG-ALEXANDER at Hindmarsh Stadium, 3 pm.

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John Bradley (APIA) and Tony Franken (Canberra) are the joint leaders in the Boral Bricks \$1500 best player award for the NSL after the last round of matches.

Peter Katholos (Olympic) leads in the Boral Bricks \$1000 top scorer award.

Leading vote-getters:
40. Bradley (APIA), Franken (Canberra)
27. McMillan (Mak), McIntosh (Pen), Hoare (Black).
Top scorers:
8. Katholos (SO).
7. Patterson (H'berg), Brown (SM-Hellas), Farina (Can).

PRESTON MAKEDONIA 1 (Wade o.g. 87th) GREEN GULLY AJAX 1 (Carter 42nd) at Connor Reserve. Crowd: about 3000. Ratings by Craig Mackenzie:
PRESTON MAKEDONIA: Potter 7 — Balevski 7, McMillan 7, Dobson 9 — Petrovski 7, Illoski 7, Dunn 7, Odzakov 7 — Heys 9, Cole 5, Campbell 7. Coach: Peter Ollerton.
GREEN GULLY AJAX: Denys 7 — Hogben 7, Cannell 7, Williams 7, P. Beranic 7 — Vassallo 7, Smart 7 (Smallman 87th), Wade 7, Mancinelli 5 (Lewis 75th) — McGuinness 7, Carter 7. Coach: Jimmy Rooney.
Best six for Boral Bricks best player award: 6. Heys (PM), 5. Dobson (PM), 4. McMillan (Mak), 3. Carter (Ajax), 2. Vassallo (Ajax), 1. Petrovski (PM).
SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS 0 FOOTSCRAY JUST 2 (Paton, 58th, 88th) at Chaplin Reserve. Crowd: 1500. Ratings by Ken Kontar:
SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS: Costello 6, Campbell 7, Richardson 7, O'Reilly 8, Taylor 6; Bain 6, Bennett 6, Jovanovic 7; McGorran 6, Pate 73rd, Carbere 6, Latif 6. Coach: Tommy Traynor.
FOOTSCRAY JUST: Boland 7; Hazabed 7, Kyriakoulas 8, Tansey 8, Curovic 7; Perez — Reigoza 6, McDowell 7, O'Donnell 6 (Stojcevic 25th, 71), Bulic 6, Belic 7, Lulic 6. Coach: Cedo Cirkovic.
Best six for Boral Bricks best player award: 6. Tansey (JUST), 5. Kyriakoulas (JUST), 4. O'Reilly (G.C.), 3. Jovanovic (G.C.), 2. Belic (JUST), 1. Campells (G.C.).
BRISBANE CITY 0 MELITA EAGLES 1 (Wilson 15th) at Spencer Park. Crowd: about 1000. Ratings by Ricky Rosso:
CITY: Walsart 6; Fabrizio 8, Liddell 7, Milovanovic 6, Bromfield 7; Swan 6 (Scruggs 81st), Pimblett 6, Hamilton 6; Glockner 5, Mountford 5, Mengotti 7. Coach: Joe Gilroy.
MELITA EAGLES: McPherson 7, McAusland 7, McGinn 7, Wilson 9, H. Tednick 7; Davies 7, Farugia 9, Griffith 6; Jamieson 6, Duarte 6 (Andriopoulos 70th), Johnston 8. Coach: Raul Blanco.
Best six for Boral Bricks best player award: 6. Wilson (M), 5. Johnston (M), 4. Fabrizio (BC), 3. Farrugia (M), 2. Mengotti (BC), 1. Bromfield (BC).
MELBOURNE CROATIA 0 SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS 2 (Brown 44th, 90th) at Olympic Park No. 1. Crowd: about 5000. Ratings by Peter Desira:
MELB CROATIA: Blasby 6; Curcio 6, Parton 8, Adams 7, Hannah

SYDNEY CROATIA 1 (Rezo 78th) APIA LEICHHARDT 0 at Henson Park. Crowd: 2391. Ratings by Peter Scott:
CROATIA: Watson 6, Sterray 5, Drinkwater 7, Videk 7, Tomasich 6 — Boden 6, Borges 6 (Kovacic 70th), Rezo 7 — Savor 6, Arnold 6, Clinch 7. Coach: Mick Jones.
APIA: Parks 7 — Bottalico 5, Bertogna 7, Pullen 7, Brown 6 — Gray 5, Butler 6, Tredinnick 6 — Bradley 7, Caban 5, Morsello 6. Coach: Phil Bottalico.
Best six for Boral Bricks best players award: 6. Rezo, 5. Clinch (both Croatia), 4. Bertogna (APIA), 3. Vicaic, 2. Drinkwater (both Croatia), 1. Bradley (APIA).
CANBERRA ARROWS 2 (Farina 15, Redmond 33), ADELAIDE JUVENTUS 1 (Mullen 22) at Olympic Sportsfield. Ratings by Frank Pangallo:
CANBERRA ARROWS: Franken 8 — Jones 7, Burke 7, Redmond 7, Milhalidits 7 — Semmanni 9, Brockbank 8, Bryant 7 (Hogg 79 min), Perinovic 8 — Farina 8, Reis 7 (Phillips), Coach: Doug Collins.
ADELAIDE JUVENTUS: McNally 6 — Shillaber 6, Flounders 8, Nyekshous 6, Cacaro 5 — Maxwell 6, Melts 6, Gatenby 6, De Vito 7 — Mullen 7, Rankin 6. Coach: Edmund Kreft.
Best six for Boral Bricks award: 6. Semmanni, 5. Franken, 4. Perinovic, 3. Brockbank, 2. Farina, 1. Burke.
APIA LEICHHARDT 2 (Morsello 12th and 28th) SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH 1 (Murray 74th) at St George Stadium. Crowd: 1847. Ratings by Peter Scott:
APIA: Parks 7 — Bottalico 6, Bertogna 8, Pullen 8, Brown 7 — Gray 7, Butler 8, Tredinnick 7 — Bradley 8, Caban 6 (De Ceglie 73rd), Morsello 8. Coach: Phil Bottalico.
HAKOAH: Pezzano 5 — Falconer 5, Gomez 6, Robertson 6, Lynch 5 — Watson 7, Kay 6, Barnes 7 — Lee 7 (De Marigny 70th), Kosmina 7 (Fletcher 61st), Murray 6. Coach: Eddie Thomson.
Best six for Boral Bricks best player award: 6. Morsello, 5. Butler, 4. Bertogna, 3. Bradley, 2. Pullen (all APIA), 1. Kosmina (H).

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Marconi.....	4	2	4	25	15	10
Canberra.....	5	0	5	21	15	10
St. G. Budapest.....	3	4	3	10	9	10
Penrith.....	3	4	3	15	10	10
Sydney Croatia.....	2	4	4	13	20	8
Newcastle Rosebud.....	3	1	5	10	15	7
Wollongong.....	2	3	5	9	21	7

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6. Faulkner 5, Biskic 7 (Markovic 80m), Antolovic 5, Peter Lewis 8, Brogan 6, Gojevic 5. Coach: Tommy Cumming.
STH MELB HELLAS: Clayton 6, Russell 6, Yzendoorn 6, Blair 7, Kalitadits 6; Davidson 6, Halford 6, Kanesoulis 7; Murphy 6, Brown 8, Egan 8. Coach: Len McKendry.
Best six for Boral Bricks best player award: 6. Egan (SM), 5. Halford (SM), 4. Blair (SM), 3. Brown (SM), 2. Parton (MC), 1. Peter Lewis (MC).
HEIDELBERG-ALEXANDER 2 (Patterson pen. 53rd, Winn 84th) B.U. JUVENTUS 3 (Zinni 10th, Sweeney 86th, Miranda 89th) at Olympic Village. Crowd: about 3000. Ratings by Laurie Schwab:
HEIDELBERG: Oliver 6 — McKie 8, Yankos 7, Macleod 9, Marley 7 — Petersen 9, Salemidis 6, Valentine 6 — Tzintzis 7, Winn 6, Patterson 7. Coach: Brian Garvey.
JUVENTUS: Keogh 6 — Garamia 7, Dowie 7, Rogers 9, Hird 8 — Cullen 7, Miranda 9, Swinscoe 6 (Campbell 88th) — Lloyd 7, Sweeney 6, Zinni 6 (Ward 61st). Coach: John Margaritis.
Best six for Boral Bricks award: 6. Miranda (J), 5. Petersen (H), 4. Rogers (J), 3. Macleod (H), 2. McKie (H), 1. Hird (J).
WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS 4 (Malavazos 50, 77, Konstantopoulos 64; McGachey 86), NEWCASTLE ROSEBUDS 1 (Brandt 6). Ratings by Tim Dornin:
WEST ADELAIDE: Sproul 7; Papazoglou 7, McGachey 8, Honeyman 7, McGregg 8; Manou 6, Konstantopoulos 7; Panagis 8, Attaslas 7, Brown 7, Malavazos 9. Coach: Sam Salabasidis.
NEWCASTLE: Cox 6; Kirby 6, Davies 6, Haslam 6, Maier 7; Boogard 6 (sent off 51), Senkalski 7, Jones 6, Caban 6; Brandt 7, Todd 7. Coach: Tim Foley.
Best six for Boral Bricks best player award: 6. Malavazos (WA), 5. McGregg (WA), 4. Panagis (WA), 3. McGachey (WA), 2. Konstantopoulos (WA), 1. Attaslas (WA).
BRISBANE LIONS 0 SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH 2 (Gomez 27th, Lee 20th) at Richlands. Crowd: about 500. Ratings by Mark Brigid:
LIONS: Evans (Daunt 17th, 8), Jackson 8, Vasquez 6, Hunter 7, Niven 5; R. Stewart 7, J. Stewart 7, Ogden 7; Cairney 7, Junna 7, Wright 7. Coach: Harry Noon.
SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH: Pezzano 8, Cant 7, Robertson 8, Gomez 7, Demargny 7; Kay 9, Watson 7, Barnes 5; Felcher 7 (Falconer 73rd), Lee 9 (Bottalico 30th), Murray 6. Coach: Eddie Thomson.
Best six for Boral Bricks best player award: 6. Kay (SCH), 5. Lee (SCH), 4. Barnes (SCH), 3. Jackson (BL), 2. Robertson (SCH), 1. Daunt (BL).

AUSTRALIAN CONFERENCE

BLACKTOWN CITY 0 SYDNEY OLYMPIC 2 (Katholos 11 r.n. ex 18th, pen.) at Gable Stadium. Crowd 3148. Ratings by Knut Werner:
BLACKTOWN: Hoare 7 — Wheatley 7, Pointer 7, Dunleavy 6, Russmussen 6 — Sandy 6, Selva 5, Byrne 6 — McLaughlin 7, Easton 5, Thornthwaite 5 (Quarmby 88th). Coach: Casey DeBruin.
SYDNEY OLYMPIC: Meier 8 — Rogers 8, Coady 8, Lambropoulos 7, Jennings 8 — Phillips 7, Raskopoulos 7, Theodorakopoulos 6 (Patikas 7, 50th), — Katholos 8, Soper 7, Koussas 7 (Dakos 78th). Coach: Manfred Schaefer.
Best six for Boral Bricks award: 6. Katholos (SO), 5. Coady (SO), 4. Rogers (SO), 3. Meier (SO), 2. Jennings (SO), 1. McLaughlin (BL).
ST GEORGE BUDAPEST 1 (Petkovski 35th, PENRITH 1 (Wotherspoon 74th) at St George Stadium. Crowd 1057. Ratings by Roger Sharack:
ST GEORGE: Greedy 8, — Ricoy 7, Ratcliffe 7, M.O'Shea 6, Kozka 7 — Barton 6, (B5th Peppas), Stone 7, J. O'Shea 7 — Slater 6 (85th Batton), Petkovski 6, Marton 7. Coach: Frank Arok.
PENRITH: Gibson 7, — Brogan 7, Daley 7, McIntosh 7, Cross 8 — Fitzhugh 6, (6th Hale 5), Cotto 8, Coach: Willie Wallace.
Top six for the Boral Bricks Player of the Year award: 6. Greedy, 5. Wotherspoon, 4. Ricoy, 3. Cross, 2. Ratcliffe, 1. Ainsworth.
MARCONI 4 (46th Lowe, 68th McCulloch, 72nd, 90th Brown) WOLLONGONG 0 at Marconi Stadium. Crowd: 1750. Ratings by Alex Vesic:
MARCONI: James 8; Carter 7, Calderan 7, Mariani 8, Spanos 7; McCulloch 8, Mason 7 (Driene 83rd), Jankovics 7; Lowe 7, Brown 8, Licata 5 (Carbone 46th 6). Coach: Les Schainflug.
WOLLONGONG: Vardareff 7; Green 5, Vilestrea 7, Willis 7, Fleming 5; Condon 6 (Kerr 76th), Gaffney 8, Bursdall 7 (Hristovski 76th); Kotamandis 6, Beggs 5, Fontana 5. Coach: Adrian Alston.
Best Players for Boral Bricks Player award: 6. Mariani (Mar), 5. Brown (Mar), 4. McCulloch (Mar), 3. Gaffney (Woll), 2. James (Mar), 1. Jankovics (Mar).

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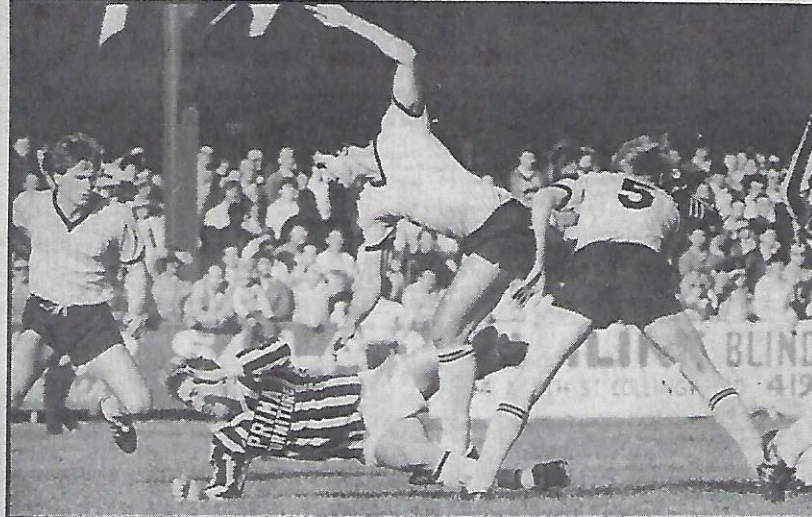
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Charlie Yankos (Heidelberg) stumbles over grounded Kevin Lloyd (Juventus). At left Steve Marley and at right Don Macleod. Pictures: LES SHORROCK.

Goal! Er, no it's a corner says ref

Makedonia G.G. Ajax 1

Scores: Carter 42nd (A-jax); Wade o.g. 87th (Mak).
Venue: Connor Reserve.
Crowd: about 3,000.
Cautions: Balevski (Mak); Mancinelli, Smallman (Ajax).
Referee: Bernie Upjohn 1.

Ernest Hemingway believed that jousting with death was the only way to live.

A human being should be an adventurer, constantly thirsting for a challenge, according to Hemingway.

Bernie Upjohn could have been created by the sweep of Hemingway's pen.

While thousands of Melbourneans opt for a pleasant Sunday afternoon either strolling by the Yarra, watching their favorite sport or simply indulging in the joys of a backyard barbecue with its traditional burnt offerings, Bernie Upjohn puts on a black shirt, black shorts and socks, polishes his boots in case an inspector is watching, checks to see that his whistle is operating, then marches out, stiff with an authoritative air, into the middle of a soccer arena, while 22 combatants prepare for war.

Here is an adventurer to make Hemingway proud. Bernie Upjohn is like a matador. Thousands of soccer fans play the part of the bull.

Connor Reserve was the cauldron into which Bernie Upjohn stepped fearlessly last Sunday.

For 45 minutes he gave a commanding performance. But 14 minutes into the second half Bernie Upjohn almost



Craig Mackenzie

came face to face with a deeply wounded, desperate and charging bull.

Preston Makedonia fans were enraged by an Upjohn decision. Others, like myself, simply turned toward the heavens in silent prayer.

Graham Heys took a corner as Makedonia pressed to erase a Green Gully Ajax lead gained three minutes before half time by Les Carter's low 25 metre shot.

Ian Dobson rose majestically at the far post and headed firmly toward goal.

Young Ajax defender Paul Beranic, standing on the goal line, hooked the ball back into play. Makedonia players appealed for a goal.

Throughout this frenzied activity, Upjohn was perfectly positioned at the near post. His first reaction was to throw his right arm forward, pointing toward the centre circle.

In all soccer-loving parts of this planet, the significance of that gesture is well known. Makedonia players hugged Dobson in delight.

As they did so, Upjohn's right arm returned to his side. He glanced at his linesman, then pointed to the corner flag.

That was when the bull dug his heels into the ground, scuffed up dirt, snorted, then prepared to charge.

Man of the Match: GRAHAM HEYS (Makedonia)

I searched in vain for my copy of the "Referees Chart and Players' Guide to the Laws of Association Football." A curiously named document, incidentally. Presumably spectators, journalists and administrators don't need to scan such material.

Others in the crowd searched for a much heavier object. I admit, that unlike every good referees' inspector, I'm unable to recite every Law of Association Football 10 times quickly, then once backwards.

It's probably a funny thing, I know, but as a youngster I always thought that if the whole of the ball crossed the goal line then a goal was awarded. If it didn't and the ball went back into play, then play was waved on. But a corner given instead? Like I said, I've obviously labored under a delusion for years.

I feel some small sense of security at least, in knowing that millions of others are similarly deluded.

Makedonia pounded Ajax in the second half. In fact, while Ajax's fine possession game reaped rewards in the first half, Makedonia still created good chances.

So, while Ajax fans might feel disappointed at conceding a point through Paul Wade's 87th minute misdeed, Makedonia thoroughly deserved that ounce of luck.

It came when Zarko Ozakov chipped the ball to Graham Heys, whose glancing header found Wade, in trying to slide down and clear, tragically lobbing the ball over goalkeeper Lou Denys and into the top near corner of the Ajax goal.

Had Ozakov scored from six metres in the 20th minute, he would have capped off the finest interpassing movement I've seen all year.

Heys, who had his best game yet for Makedonia, won the ball in the left back spot. He played it forward to George Campbell whose great first-time touch inside found Robbie Dunn. The former West Adelaide Hellas stopper squared to Ozakov who in turn kept the movement going toward the right side by passing to Ljube Petrovski. Campbell had got free on the left and Petrovski picked him out with a glorious 40 metre crossfield pass. Campbell crossed to the far post, Gary Cole headed down, and Ozakov spoiled what certainly would have been the move of the season, when he shot over.

The gloom which surrounded Ajax's early season efforts now is simply a bad memory. Ajax will win quite a few games this year. In fact, don't be surprised to see it fighting to sneak into the top five toward the end of the season.

Makedonia's second half convinced me that it still can give the title a shake.

Peter Desira has 100 good reasons to hope that my prediction about Makedonia is way off beam.

Youngster Luciano Fabrizio, filling in at right back for the injured Steve Perry, hit two 30m piledrivers that both nearly resulted in goals.

His first took two attempts by keeper Alex McPherson to hold while the second crashed onto the crossbar.

City midfielder Bobby Hamilton had the other two chances. The first, seconds after the break, he put over the top of the goal from little more than a metre out.

His other chance, late in the game, was squandered when Hamilton tried to position himself better before shooting and was swamped by defenders.

After going one ahead, Melita relied on Stuart Johnson as its lone attacking force. And although often being outnumbered, the willing youngster showed plenty of running and ability.

Melita midfielder Ray Farrugia also showed a high work rate and his running and distribution outshaded any City midfielder.

Referee Gordon Nicholson booked three Melita players to bring his tally to eight in the past two NSL matches. He booked five in the recent Lions-Footscray match.

MEMORABLE SPECTACLE!



Laurie Schwab

Heidelberg 2 Juventus 3

Goals: 0-1 Zinni 10th, 1-1 Patterson pen. 53rd, 2-1 Winn 84th, 2-2 Sweeney 86th, 2-3 Miranda 89th.

Venue: Olympic village.
Referee: Stewart Mellings 8 (first half), Lou Hammes 8 (second half).

Juventus increased its lead at the top of the national conference by scoring twice in the last four minutes to beat second-placed Heidelberg 3-2 in a memorable encounter.

Powerful South African-born midfielder Richard Miranda elevated to the national squad during the week, scored the winning goal in front of the crowd of 9,000 only seconds from the end.

Heidelberg took a 2-1 lead six minutes from full time when Steve Winn, who had been subdued throughout the match by Billy Rogers, finally broke clear to score his sixth goal since joining from Marconi.

Miranda turned on a powerful midfield performance appropriately capped by that late winning goal.

Mike Petersen was equally as impressive and Heidelberg had other outstanding players in Don MacLeod and Ian McKie.

Juventus coach John Margaritis claimed that Heidelberg left itself too open in defence by pushing too many men forward.

"You can't hope to win championships like that," Margaritis said, adding Heidelberg's penalty had been unwarranted. Heidelberg coach Brian Garvey said his team should have defended better.

The victory leaves Juventus as the most successful of the 24 national league clubs, with a total of seven wins from 10

Man of the match: RICHARD MIRANDA (Juventus)

games — a remarkable achievement for a club in its first NSL season.

Andrew Zinni, who almost was unable to play due to a leg injury, put Juventus into the lead after only 10 minutes, latching on to the rebound after goalkeeper Jeff Oliver failed to hold a dipping shot from Miranda.

Heidelberg fought back however, with Petersen busy in midfield and Scott Patterson and Pashalis Taintis threatening the Juventus goal.

Referee Stewart Mellings injured a calf muscle just before half-time and was replaced for the second half by Lou Hammes.

Heidelberg equalised in the 53rd minute with a penalty by Patterson, awarded over a challenge by Frank Geremia on Petersen.

Zinni's injury forced him out of the game in the 61st minute.

His place was taken by Gary Ward while Eddie Campbell replaced Juventus midfielder Kevin Swinson.

Winn scored in the 84th minute after Rogers had blocked a shot by Patterson.

But with four minutes to play, Gary Ward sent the ball high to the far post where Campbell headed it down and Joe Sweeney headed it in to make it 2-2.

Then, with about 20 seconds left, Heidelberg sweeper Charlie Yankos blocked a shot by Robert Cullen and Miranda was on hand to score the winner from a slight angle at close range.

Heidelberg won the youth league game 5-1, with goals by Gabrielson, Salvo, Atmatsidis (penalty), Solakis (penalty) and Tasios for Heidelberg, and Emhowski for Juventus.

Line-ups with ratings: Heidelberg: Karamitsis 8 — Rahovitsas 7, Krajacic 8, Gabrielson 9, Solakis 7 — Tasios 7, Salvo 8, Thodis 7 — Atmatsidis 7, Metaxas 7 (inj. sub Deligianis 8, 53rd.) Nicolaidis 8 (inj. sub Christoforidis 85th).



JUVENTUS: Carrozza 6 — Ciccione 6, Greco 8, Manini 7, Hackett 7 (inj. sub Romano 6, 35th) — Trani 7, Ruccia 9, Brunetta 5, Bisetto 6 — DeAmicis 7, Minichiello 8 (inj. sub Emhowski 7, 34th).



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Wilson, Farrugia keep Melita on top; Joe Gilroy baffled

Brisb. City 0 Melita Eagles 1

Scores: Wilson 16th
Venue: Spencer Park
Cautions: McAusland, Davies, McGinn (all Melita).
Referee: Gordon Nicholson 6.

Brisbane City seemingly has forgotten how to win at Spencer Park and its 0-1 loss to Melita Eagles stretched to 12 its run of home matches without victory.

And City coach Joe Gilroy is devoid of an answer as to why his team can't put the ball into the net.

"Our defence is good and I believe our midfield is balanced now but we just haven't got a natural goalscorer. It doesn't matter how well you play, unless there is someone there to put away the chances you haven't got a hope," he said.

"Our progress is good and I think we are a better outfit than last year. But at the moment everything is very frustrating. I would love to have a Danny Wright in my



Ricky Rosso

side. It would solve a lot of our problems."

City had ample opportunity to snatch at least an equaliser against Melita, but despite having a glut of possession, rarely came close to scoring.

Melita led the lead after only 16 minutes with a goal that came after a blistering downfield run from sweeper Ken Wilson, who was dangerous in attack and outstanding in defence.

Wilson shrugged off all tackles and outpaced defenders before the City defence finally stopped him and scrambled the ball away for a corner. But strangely no-one cared to mark Wilson as the corner was taken and when the cross found him at the far post, he lollipopped a simple header over City keeper Wish-

Man of the match: KEN WILSON (Melita Eagles)

art who had hesitated in coming off his line.

Immediately after the goal, Melita funnelled back and consolidated its defence and its league leadership!

And under astute direction and encouragement from Wilson, Melita out tackled and out ran the City attack.

Melita showed a will to win and continually closed down the forward-moving City players, forcing them into error.

It was not an attractive way for Melita to win, but nonetheless very effective and well deserved.

"No-one gave us a hope in the beginning but slowly we are proving them wrong," Melita coach Raul Blanco said.

Despite having 80 percent of the attacking ball, City came close to scoring on only about four occasions — and two of those were from long-range shots.



Tactic switch swings game

By TIM DORNIN

WA-Hellas 4 Rosebuds 1

Scorers: Brandt (N) 6 min; Malavazos 50, 77; Konstantopoulos 64; McGachey 86.
Venue: Hindmarsh Stadium.
Cautions: McGregor (WA)
Referee: A. Marcell 7.

West won the game, with a four goal burst in the second half after trailing one-nil at half-time.

West dominated the midfield in the second half with Steve Atsals and John Panagis coming into the game with a vengeance.

Neil McGachey, the talented sweeper, also picked up his performance and got his devastating long ball working to probe the weaknesses of the Newcastle defence.

After some words from coach Sam Salabasidis, WA-Hellas burst into life in the second half and pressured the Newcastle defence into making some elementary mistakes.

The home side marked tighter in the centre to stop the quick breaks of the Newcastle strikers, and used the long ball to create the loose man on the wings.

After conceding a goal in the sixth minute, to striker Simon

Man of the match:
NICK MALAVAZOS
(WA-Hellas)

Brandt, Hellas wiped out the Newcastle lead early in the second half when Nick Malavazos put a corner into the back of the net with a shot from close range.

On level footing, Hellas began to storm the Newcastle defence which lost Michael Bogardt soon after when he was sent off after a challenge on Panagis.

In the 60th minute Hellas hit the front with a goal from George Konstantopoulos, who struck a powerful shot from just inside the Newcastle box and jumped for joy as it forced its way past keeper Bernie Cox.

In the 78th minute Malavazos picked up his second goal for the match when he made a stunning lone break through the centre to leave himself with only the keeper to beat.

That he accomplished with ease to take West to a 3-1 lead and his personal goal tally to four in the past two games.

In the 85th minute Hellas put the result beyond doubt when McGachey scored the fourth goal with a curling shot that left keeper Cox sprawled across the turf.

After the impressive win Salabasidis said he was pleased with his team's efforts.

"We weren't checking well in the first half, we were letting them create the loose man and get the break," he said.

"In the second half we put the pressure on and made them make the mistakes."

Few Newcastle players showed good form against the polished Adelaide side, although Brandt, with his goal, and Joe Senkalski and Ralph Maier, with some good skills, tried hard all day.

Newcastle coach Jim Foley was a disappointed man after the match but as he said there was no use crying over spilt milk.

"I wanted our guys to give the West strikers plenty of time on the ball in the first half to draw them forward hoping we could get the break."

"It worked for a while but West changed their style of play in the second half."

Foley continued to push two forwards well into the Hellas half and refused to go completely on the defensive.

Foley agreed to take on the coaching job until the end of May but he said today the club was anxious to appoint a permanent coach as soon as possible.

He said he expected some announcement this week as this was his last match.

Ken Kontra

Poacher Paton

Man of the match:
JIM TANSEY
(J.U.S.T.)

George Cross 0 J.U.S.T. 2

Scorers: Paton 58th and 88th
Venue: Chaplin Reserve
Cautions: McGorian, Bennett (G.C.) Lujic, Stojevski (J.U.S.T.)
Referee: Dennis Voutsinas 7.

It was all George Cross in the opening 10 minutes of the second half. Roger Bain tested Boland with a powerful shot from 25 metres and Mick McGorian hit the upright on the turn. Slobodan Jovanovic was prominent at this stage, but Kyri Kyriakoulas, Jim Tansey and Igor Hazabent tightened their defence.

Garry McDowell and Gerry Bennett had their own confrontation neither contributing a great deal to the overall pattern of play, although McDowell, who was carrying an injury to start with, did produce some deft touches until he aggravated his injury in the 55th minute.

He was actually off the field, receiving treatment, when J.U.S.T. finally put three telling passes together and took the lead. Vlatko Belic squared the ball to Ariel Perez-Reigoza, whose low cross behind the George Cross defence was put away by Jamie Paton.

Paton did it again in the 88th minute when he headed home a Zoravko Lujic cross from close range.

To me, former Slavia and Heidelberg team mates, Jimmy Tansey and Jim O'Reilly stole the show. Tansey played the sweeper position to perfection and organised his co-defenders with constructive talking right through the match.

O'Reilly sustained a leg injury in the first 10 minutes, and consequently played practically the whole match on one leg, the fact that he still managed to be the best George Cross player, speaks volumes for his determination and application.

Hennessy in U.S.

Croatia coach Terry Hennessy resigned last week. Tommy Cumming, under whom Croatia won the State League Cup and the Dockerty Cup last year, is standing in as player-coach.

Hennessy quit because he is disappointed with Australian soccer and because he felt he was not getting the best from some of the Croatia players.

He already has returned to the U.S. "I don't think coaches get a fair chance here. It's too much a game-to-game situation," Hennessy said.

"The supporters want success overnight, so it's difficult to do any long-term planning. But the players have to look at themselves. They've got to ask themselves what they did and what they did not do."

He would not elaborate. Croatia recruited Hennessy from the U.S., where he was voted 1983 Coach of the Year for taking the Tulsa Roughnecks to the NASL championship.

He represented Wales 39 times during a distinguished playing career that included captaincy of Nottingham Forest, Derby County and Birmingham City.

Hennessy is the third coaching casualty of the nine-week-old NSL season. The others were Bobby McLechlan and Attila Abonyi who were sacked by J.U.S.T. and Sydney Croatia respectively.

Under Hennessy, Melbourne Croatia won three games, drew three and lost three in the NSL, and reached the final of the Buffalo Summer Cup.

Kanesoulis in a quandary

M. Croatia 0 SM-Hellas 2

Scorers: Brown 44m, 90m.
Ground: Olympic Park No.1
Referee: Chris Cambridge 7
Cautions: Biskic, Brogan, Blair
Crowd: 5000.

Oscar Crino's fitness will have a direct bearing on whether John Kanesoulis is to get a chance to represent Australia in the next World Youth Championship.

The SM-Hellas camp is undecided whether it can afford to release Kanesoulis from its small squad to represent Victoria at next week's National Youth championship.

Young Socceroos coach Jim Shoulder will be at the championships to pick his initial Australian team to play in the qualifying stages of the World Championship and will get little other chance to see Kanesoulis at first hand as the qualifying tournament is in December.

Hellas president Leo Anazakis says Kanesoulis will be able to play at the championship along with Con Klakos if Oscar Crino comes through this coming week's encounter against Adelaide Juventus with no ill effects.

Crino was not used in Sunday's encounter with Croatia even though he trained at full stretch on Friday night.

He has been cleared by the doctor to play but he has to get over the mental barrier as well as regain match fitness and it was too much to push him straight back into the side.

Hellas coach Leo McKendry said after Sunday's win, "Crino's delicate touches, and his ability to do the unexpected was sorely missing from Sunday's match which fell away below the ex-

Peter Desira

Man of the Match:
CHARLIE EGAN
(SM-Hellas)

pectations set by the two sides' encounter in the Buffalo Cup final.

"There was really too much at stake for both clubs and you have to understand there have been upheavals in both sides," McKendry said.

Doug Brown got both Hellas goals at the end of each half.

The first, in the 44th minute, followed a shot by Carl Halford which was blocked. Alan Davidson hit a second effort which deflected wide for Brown to shoot home from a narrow angle from the right.

The second goal came right on full time with Chris Kalafatis and Ken Murphy, working the ball down the right, sent Brown away for a shot from the edge of the box which gave Peter Blasby no chance.

Croatia started the match without caretaker coach Tommy Cumming, whose shoulder injury prevented him from playing.

That left all the scoring responsibility to Steve Golevic and David Brogan but it was too much to ask against resolute defending by Steve Blair and John Zyzendorn.

Croatia's two real scoring chances stemmed from a corner by Jeff Faulkner which



Gary Clayton - joined Hellas from Juventus.

was cleared by Bobby Russell on the line, and a Shaun Parton header which forced another clearance off the line, this time by Carl Halford.

Peter Lewis made a return to the Croatia starting line-up and considering he was playing in the unusual role of mid-field he must be given credit for his non-stop performance over the 90 minutes.

Towards the end of the game, Cumming replaced Josip Biskic in a move which surprised even McKendry.

Overall Hellas thoroughly deserved its victory because in Charlie Egan, Halford and Blair it had winners in all three departments.

KATHOLOS NOW NSL TOP SCORER

Blacktown 0 Syd. Olympic 2

Scorers: Katholos 77th & 90th.
Venue: Gabbie Stadium.
Cautions: Rogers (SO).

Two goals by midfielder Peter Katholos, omitted from the Australian National Team squad, were enough to give

Sydney Olympic this hard-fought 2-0 victory.

A surprise omission from the Olympic team was Jim Patikas, but he stamped his class on the proceedings soon after coming on as a substitute.

He entered the game in the 57th minute, replacing midfielder Nick Theodorakopoulos, and played a hand in the build-up of the first goal.

Olympic opened its account in the 79th minute through a well-driven 16-metre volley by Katholos, following excellent build-up work by Patikas, Graham Jennings and Marshall Soper.

Katholos sealed the issue later when he scored from the penalty spot after Soper was fouled by Blacktown goalkeeper Barry Hoare, and now is the NSL's top scorer.

Blacktown lacked penetration up front and sadly missed the services of Phil O'Connor (knee injury) and John Larkin (hand injury).

On the other hand, Sydney Olympic played a controlled game in midfield and strung together some fine passing combinations.

Despite losing, Blacktown coach Casey de Bruin was pleased with his team's performance.

Sydney Olympic coach Manfred Schaefer was ecstatic with the result.

"It's always good to beat a team above us. I knew if we continued to play for the full 90 minutes the chances would come our way."

"The reason I left out Patikas was I needed a more controlled and stable effort from the midfield. Patikas will start the game against APIA next Sunday," said Schaefer.

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Man of the Match:
PETER KATHOLOS
(Syd. Olympic)

Marconi 4 Wollongong 0

Scorers: Lowe 46th, McCulloch 68th, Brown 72nd, 90th
Venue: Marconi Stadium
Crowd: 1750
Referee: Ken Small 9

After an eventful first half and with Wollongong more than just an equal opponent, Marconi's youngsters exploded to score as early as the first minute of the restart. Roy Brown collected two and McCulloch and Lowe one each.

Lowe opened the scoring after a chip by Craig Mason had eluded the Wolves defence to find him just inside the box and some 14 metres away. Lowe settled on the ball before hammering it wide of Vardareff.

A cross by Attilio Carbone, a flick header by Rod Brown and Tom McCulloch, was in the clear after 68 minutes. His left-footer was an absolute

screamer, leaving Vardareff helpless.

Only four minutes later Craig Mason found David Lowe on the left. He rounded the fullback, then crossed for Mark Jankovics who chested the ball for Rod Brown to make it 3-0.

Natch Vardareff made a brilliant save from a point-blank header by Jankovics to keep the score down, but Rod Brown made it 4-0 from an impeccable move by Marconi.

Martin Driene, on for Mason, drew Wolves defenders before pushing his pass wide for Lowe on the right. Lowe crossed and Brown headed hard under the crossbar from some five metres.

After George Cross and Penrith, it was time for Wolves to taste some of Marconi's new-found power.

However, for all those who might feel that Wollongong just sat down and waited for execution, let me warn you: Wolves have a lot of ability

Don't write off Wollongong!

and will win a few of their own matches this year.

Alex Bundalo, Larry Gaffney, Ray Vlietstra and Vardareff in goal are the side's stars, while Kotamanidis up front looks a definite prospect. Wolves have been on equal terms during the first period and in fact were unlucky not to have hit the front.



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Tony Morsello makes APIA mighty

APIA Hakoah 1
Scorers: Morsello (A) 12th and 28th, Murray (H) 74th.
Venue: St. George Stadium, Sydney.
Cautions: Pullen (A), Gomez (H), Barnes (H).
Referee: Rennie 6.

Just as I predicted a couple of weeks ago, APIA had a shock in store for high-flying Hakoah in this vital NSL match postponed from Good Friday.

Played under the lights of St George Stadium in midweek, Phil Bottalico's men served renewed warning to all opponents — APIA is a threat for the end-of-season NSL play-off tussle.

Hakoah coach Eddie Thomson was rueful, but as always his courteous self at game's end.

"We almost snatched an equaliser late in the match," he said.

"But it would have been tantamount to cheating if APIA didn't win this one."

Bottalico was quietly delighted, praising his "boys" in a few words, but the huge grin on his face said more than any considered statement to the press could have.

In less than half an hour the Italian club opened a lead which proved enough in the end and the surprise match winner was none other than Tony Morsello.

A product of APIA juniors, it has taken him to reach his 26th year before grabbing headlines in soccer.

And he did it in impeccable style, spearheading APIA's ruthless exploitation of the Hakoah defence's glaring weaknesses on the night.

With Steve O'Connor and Jim Cant both out with injuries following NSW's win over Queensland the Sunday before, Keith Falconer and Mike Lynch had the job of flankmen and their combined inexperience was just too much for veteran sweeper Alec Robertson to cover and on this night Gerry Gomez wasn't much help either.

APIA very smartly took advantage, pressing home its attacks on the wings.

Bradley had Lynch chasing shadows just prior to the first goal, preceded by his neat cross, which Morsello elegantly hooked past Tony Pezzano.

Just 16 minutes later it was Morsello's big moment again, as he swept some 35 metres up the wing, undisturbed by Hakoah's usually resolute defence, neatly sending a rising shot past the advancing Pezzano's left shoulder for his second goal.

APIA had confident control of the match for all of the first half, putting pressure on the Hakoah defence whenever its strikers and midfield looked like getting back into the match.

In fact this iron grip only relaxed in the second half, when APIA switched partly away from its constructive and attractive style, beginning to boot the ball blindly upfield.

Depleted as it was, Hakoah instantaneously sniffed its chance coming close on a number of occasions.

In fact the Blues were — quite unlikely to the general picture — unlikely not to be in even terms even before the break.

In the 36th minute John Kosmina blasted a 19 metre drive through the defence and into the net past Robbie Parks only to see it disallowed when Kay and Gomez were caught offside.

That was a good decision by referee Rennie, but his otherwise excellent performance with the whistle was marred by an inexplicable ruling just three minutes short of half-time.

Willie Murray battled his way into the penalty area before being unceremoniously upended by several defenders and to no-one's surprise the whistle sounded.

What was a surprise was to see Doug Rennie award a free kick to Hakoah — outside the penalty area!

Hakoah did start to create chances as APIA more and more looked eager to close the game up, but, alas, that makeshift defence always looked ready to crumble whenever Bradley, Butler and Tredinnick got moving.

Still, worse was to come for Hakoah as Socorro captain Kosmina finally had to call it a day with half an hour on the clock. Nursing a leg injury from before the start of the game, he failed to last the distance.

Grant Lee also had to be replaced when a bad cramp overtook him, but he did nearly score before leaving the field of battle.

He stormed down the left wing, harassed, pulled and grabbed all the way by Mark Brown, and still managed to let go with a tremendous rising shot which had Pezzano produce the most acrobatic save of the night.

The ice broke for Hakoah when a harmless, awkward little header by Murray was misjudged by the APIA keeper and bounced once before drifting over the line and into the net.

Eleven minutes to go a header by Kay and a shot by de Marigny were scrambled off by the APIA line — and that was the ball game. A win, and a deserved one, for the Maroons.

Apart from the goals, they had their other chances, too, which could have produced a more inflated scoreline. As it turned out, two were more than adequate.

However, just as I warned against underestimating APIA a few weeks ago, let me issue another caution to those getting ready to "bury Caesar", or Hakoah.

With Kosmina, Cant and O'Connor fit and Joe Watson fully rested, the boys from Bondi will be more than capable of striking terror into the hearts of any team once again.

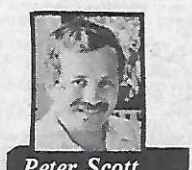
And when that happens, Eddie Thomson won't be crying inside as he smiles at his questioners after the final whistle.

If there is a danger for Hakoah it is that its squad is amazingly consistent over a protracted period of competition, but this year's NSL will be decided in a play-off format which will have a sudden death flavour to it.

And, in those circumstances, the bounce of the ball on a given day well could decide the 1984 champion.

I wouldn't dare write off the likes of not only APIA, but also Olympic, Marconi, St George — or anybody, just as yet.

It's going to be a season which seems like a lifetime for fans, players, but especially coaches this year.



Peter Scott

Tony Morsello

Man of the match: TONY MORSELLO (APIA)

...but Rezo brings APIA down to earth again!

By PETER SCOTT

APIA 0 S. Croatia 1

Scorer: Rezo (78th)
Referee: Power 8.
Cautions: Borogova (A), Gray (A), Rezo (C).

Just as the world — well, if not the world then the NSL — seemed to be prostrate at the feet of APIA, the Maroons' "championship express" got badly derailed.

On a cold, wintry day at Henson Park, lowly, struggling Croatia — regrouping after the recent sacking of Atli Abonyi — snatched two totally unexpected points from the competition leader.

"It is the Jones magic at work again," a happy Croatia coach Mick Jones announced to the celebrating throng in the dressing room after the final whistle, while APIA boss Bottalico could only ruminate about his team's "tiredness" and, more to the point, the many missed chances.

He did acknowledge with admirable frankness that the better team on the day won.

Jones, meanwhile, had no doubts about what made his side the superior one.

"We take the field each game with a plan and our play is now more methodical and effective."

"And what about our left flank? How many teams have a better combination than our David Rezo and Shane Clinch?" he asked.

APIA had numerous chances in the first half, not

the least of them a penalty in the sixth minute.

Drinkwater and Sterrey failed to separate Tony Morsello from the ball by lawful means, but Ian Gray meekly shot past the left upright from the 11 metre spot.

Croatia tried to play a safe game, with Roy Drinkwater deep behind the rest of his defence.

But, the longer the match went the less effective APIA was, especially its much vaunted midfield, reckoned by many to be the best in the nation.

Only Tredinnick was showing anywhere near his real form and Gray had the positive horrors.

Up front Morsello was brought back to earth after his flashy role against Sydney City Hakoah — and he came down with a thud.

As for Caban, one of the "discoveries" of the year earlier on, he was again ineffective.

Croatia's star was undoubtedly Rezo, even apart from his decisive goal.

He was busy and on the go all day, grafting, prompting and attacking.

APIA could meditate about their missed chances, but after Mark Pullen was thrown into attack in a final desperate bid to tie the match near the end, the visitors could even have increased their tally by another couple of goals.

Daunt in goal as Kay leads Hakoah surge

By MARK BRIGDEN

Brisb. Lions 0 S.C. Hakoah 2

Scorers: Gomez 27th, Lee 29th.
Cautions: Cant (SCH), Ogden (BL), Cairney (BL).
Referee: Dave Nugent, 5.

A DYNAMIC performance by midfielder Paul Kay inspired Sydney City Hakoah to return to the winning list with a 2-0 victory over Brisbane Lions at Richlands.

The aggression and work-

rate of the former Young Socorro allowed Sydney City to dominate the midfield and paved the way for their victory.

They were helped in their cause by an injury to Lions keeper Wayne Evans, who had to be replaced early as the 17th minute after he broke a finger when scrambling for a loose ball.

Both goals came within 12 minutes of the incident, although Lions reserve striker Calvin Daunt who took over from Evans, could not be blamed for either.

The first goal came in the

Man of the match:
PAUL KAY
 (S.C. Hakoah)

27th minute when unmarked Gerry Gomez headed in from a Joe Watson corner.

Sydney City struck again two minutes later when Murray Barnes deftly knocked a high cross back to Grant Lee whose goalbound volley was deflected into the net off Alan Hunter.

Lions also had several scoring chances in the first half.

Ray Junna's shot from close range hit the post in the 16th minute while just before half-time Danny Wright, making a return from injury, had two chances to score.

The best of these saw Jim Cant clear off the line after Wright had nudged keeper Tony Pezzano.

Lions decided to throw another player forward in the second half and played a 4-2-4 combination in an effort to pressurise the Sydney City defence.

However, Tony Pezzano was equal to the challenge and produced good saves to deny Junna and Hunter. Pezzano also was frequently called on to punch clear several high crosses from the Lions wingers.

Lions' pressure was successful in stopping the probing runs of fullbacks Jim Cant and Jean Paul DeMarigny who caused trouble down the flanks in the first half.

Lions coach Harry Noon was happy with the improved second half performance and thought his team was unlucky not to have scored the goals they needed for a point.

Sydney City coach Eddie Thomson also was pleased with his team's showing particularly since internationals John Kosmina and Steve O'Connor were missing through injury.

To hinder their pre-match preparations, the Sydney City team bus did not arrive at the ground until 25 minutes before the scheduled kick-off, after a flight delay.

Referee Dave Nugent won few friends when he booked four players for what appeared to be relatively minor offences.

The bookings brought the total at Richlands in the last two games to nine, following referee Gordon Nicholson's five-card effort in Lions' clash with Footscray a fortnight ago.

MARTON THE TARGET

By ROGER SHERACK

St George 1 Penrith 1

Scorers: Petkovski 38th, Waterspoon 74th.
Venue: St George Stadium.
Cautions: Ricoy, M. O'Shea (SG), Daley, McIntosh (P).
Referee: Arthur Owens 5.

Penrith coach Willie Wallace promised to put Dez Marton out of this match with some tight marking. His players — at times two or three — covered Marton from all angles.

Despite the attention, Marton managed to slip away on a couple of occasions, one of which resulted in a goal by Petkovski.

St George looked the more dangerous side early, and was set to win following the goal by Petkovski in the 38th minute.

However, Penrith bounced back after the interval and with Ian Waterspoon directing traffic from the middle of the park, set some fast breaking raids on Greedy's goal.

At least twice during this period, goalkeeper Greedy was in the thick of things to save St George from embarrassment.

His save from Roy Cotton in the 73rd was the best of the match.

Earlier on it was Michael O'Shea who cleared off the line to keep Saints in front.

Then came Jeff Ainsworth with his cross in the 74th and Ian Waterspoon tucked it away to even the scores.

With seconds remaining, Peter Nix shot inches wide of the post, much to the relief of Terry Greedy and his defence.

Penrith's battle for survival in its first year in the NSL seems almost over. The side is strong enough and has a lot of character, which was shown by the two drawn games against Melita and Saints following the drubbing at the hands of Marconi some ten days earlier.

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The NSL is to embark on a publicity campaign to attract more spectators, especially in Sydney.

NSL secretary Steve Kemaz is to get part-time administrative assistants in Sydney and Melbourne, to allow him more time for promotional activities.

The Sydney-based assistant is expected to be Karen Grege, former secretary of Canberra Arrows.

NSL chairman Sam Papasavas said

this week the league was disappointed at poor crowds in Sydney.

Meanwhile, the NSL Council of Clubs will meet in Sydney at the weekend, to discuss arrangements for the National Cup competition, to be played during the international series.

It has not yet been decided whether the Cup games will be curtain-raisers to the games in the international series.

A figure of \$30,000 has been mentioned as compensation to the NSL from receipts of international games.

KAT'S CORNER

with PETER KATHOLOS



We'd take on Iraklis!

John MIHAILIDIS (Canberra)	Tony DAKOS (Syd Olympic)	John GIANNOPOULOS (Northcote)	Charlie YANKOS (H'berg-Alex)	Chris KALIFATIDIS (SM-Hellas)
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Subs: Mark Moussas (Syd Olympic), John Panagis (WA-Hellas), John Kanesoulis (SM-Hellas), Steve Atsialas (WA-Hellas), Pashalis Tzintzis (H'berg-Alexander), Rocky Tachiris (Western Suburbs, Vic), Terry Patafis (Syd Olympic).

Not a bad line-up, is it?

I can up with it after reading that South Melbourne Hellas was interested in playing a game Iraklis of Greece next month.

So I figured, what about matches between Iraklis and the best of the Australian Greeks? Hence the line-up above.

If you could stage such matches in Melbourne, Sydney and perhaps also in Adelaide, I'm sure the interest would be tremendous.

Fans from back home who have come to Australia's shores, always are interested in this type of clash because they can feel part of both teams.

It's only an idea, but perhaps those with influence should consider it seriously.

Meanwhile, if Hellas succeeds in taking over Victoria's match against Iraklis, I hope Olympic can get a similar game in Sydney.

When Olympic played against Hungary in 1982, 15,000 people turned up to see our memorable 3-3 draw.

So imagine how big the crowd would be if we played against Iraklis, with a couple of guest players like Theo Selemidis, Charlie Yankos and "Kinezos" Davidson.

The 1982 tournament in which Olympic played against Vojvodina as well as Hungary, provided the club with a tremendous lift. Interest in Olympic remained high afterwards, so much so that we drew 13,000 people to our match against APIA at Pratten Park.

Heidelberg

Early this year, while writing about Heidelberg-Alexander, I said the club should do everything in its power to keep established crowd-pleasers like Theo Selemidis and Charlie Yankos, and to concentrate only on replacing those players who were leaving.

Well, Heidelberg certainly has done that. It bought Steve Winn, Pashalis Tzintzis,

John Gabrielson, Steve Marley and Marcelo Salvo, and now it's expecting a striker, Peter Devine, from Blackburn Rovers in England. Selemidis, in his first year as captain, has really risen to responsibility, and up front, Winn and Scott Patterson are putting the goals away with monotonous regularity. What's more, the defensive partnership of Yankos and Don Macleod must be one of the strongest in the country.

Blacktown

Blacktown City is another club doing extremely well. With players of the calibre of Blacktown City is another club doing extremely well.

When you can beat Marconi and St George without your star recruit, Phil O'Connor, you've got to be doing something right.

Their latest recruit, Clive Eaton, from Kuringai, has made a big impact, scoring a hat-trick in his debut, and if he can produce that type of form consistently, I'm sure he'll repeat his 1978 effort of being among the NSL top scorers.

Kiwis out

Our World Cup rival, New Zealand, lost all its four games in the Asian qualifying tournament for the Olympic Games and I'm sure the Kiwis couldn't match their opponents in speed nor skill.

Saudi Arabia, Qatar and Iraq are the teams that qualified, and all are highly skilled.

Even in 1983, when we lost two games New Zealand, the Kiwis couldn't match us in skill either. We played by far the better soccer, and it was only due to silly defensive mistakes that we lost both these crucial games.

I say crucial unfortunately, these losses eventually resulted in coach Les Scheinflug losing his job.

Will Greeks cancel league and Cup to help us out?

We have kept, for posterity, the announcements and statements of an ASF spokesperson, relating to the big 1984 international program. Below excerpts from this priceless bouquet.

MARCH 20: "I deplore all the sniping by our enemies aimed at destroying public confidence in the forthcoming international series."

I give my word of honor that the only French player missing from any of the teams will be Michel Platini.

"I have the absolute assurance of the tour agent in Nebraska that all of the other teams — Manchester United, Nottingham, Glasgow Rangers and Iraklis of Saloniki will come with full squads."

APRIL 5: "I can only repeat what I said earlier: That most overseas teams will be here with full squads."

"There is no truth in the rumor that Platini and Boniek of Juventus will stay behind to play for England and Scotland."

"As for Iraklis not being here on time because of the Greek Cup final — well, we'll talk to their consulate about it."

APRIL 16: "We have asked Iraklis to withdraw from that meaningless Greek Cup final and they said they would consider it."

"As for the British teams, there are some minor complications but nothing that, with a bit of good will, we couldn't make a lot worse."

"Who could have guessed that England might select Robson and Wilkins for the home internationals? Who could have guessed that manager Bobby Robson would ever pick his best players?"

"It now looks that Wilkins and Robson may miss the trip but everyone else will be here. I give my word."

APRIL 2: "As I said, Wilkins and Robson won't be here, together with Duxbury, perhaps Bailey, Anderson, Albiston, Stapleton and a few more but their number is really laughably small."

"After all, even if 10 of them won't come, what's that compared with the thousands of Brits who do arrive here every week? Not even point one of one percent."

"Iraklis looks safe; the Greek FA will meet next week to consider our request to cancel their Cup and League season for the next five years, so as not to interfere with our vague plans."

MAY 5: "Once again, our Press is behaving in an irresponsible way. They ask questions, for example. What is this — a quiz show?"

"I did say all teams will come with full squads and I stand by that."

"Manchester United and all the others will all arrive with enough players to field a team, plus coaches, doctors, officials and directors."

"That's a full squad, isn't it?"

"The public will understand that you cannot always get every star. At times you cannot get any."

"Were Manchester United rubbish just because they faced Juventus without Robson? Okay, they were. But how do we know they would have been better with Robson? Would they have been stronger with Zico, Gi-resse, Falcao, Maradona, Rummenigge? Perhaps! It's hard to prove."

"My agent whom I met in Arizona last week told me that all British teams will come here with suitable replacements. Most will be soccer players."

"Iraklis are so keen to come they have renounced their Greek citizenship and have relocated to Turkey."

JUNE 30: "We have learned a few valuable lessons from the recent tours. One is that we must stay clear of club teams. In 1983 we also learned not to touch national teams. So we will have to look for something new. Because of their various commitments, teams from Britain, Europe, South America, Africa and Asia cannot come here at full strength."

We must find opponents elsewhere. It's also essential that we pick the right time of the year. January to April is too hot — so is October to January. This leaves May to September. June and July are too rainy and cold while August is windy. May falls into the school holiday period. But there must be something left."

Where are the British?

• Where are the Brits in our soccer? This is the old riddle we were discussing the other day over dinner with some soccer officials.

THE ANDREW DETTRE COLUMN



"There are no Brits in Australian soccer," a prominent Sydney club president said, "unless they are paid."

Paid? "Of course," he continued, "paid as players, coaches, writers, officials and referees. As we don't pay spectators yet, you won't find many Brits on the terraces of ordinary spectators."

"They are in soccer only if they can run things."

"Probably there is some truth in all this Australian soccer has a very thick British subtext."

The inability of the game here to appeal to hundreds of thousands of migrants is perhaps the most tragic aspect of our soccer's perennial failure.

The large number of British migrants, especially since the 1920's, simply bring with them their passion for soccer.

They might still follow their original club 'back home' but they wouldn't of adopting a local club as their own they way continental migrants have.

Years ago there were some meek attempts to establish a 'British press' the last such major venture in Sydney concerned Cornithians — a club which no longer exists.

As a result of this British soccer apathy, we live with one of the most sporting paradoxes in Australia. Most clubs produce British soccer, with players, under British coaches, refereed by British referees and administered by British officials — and all that for a continental clientele. Of course it works.

Michelle Ford blunder

The Federal Sports Minister John Brown made a serious mistake when he interfered in the Michelle Ford drama.

Whether the swimming officials were right or wrong in their treatment of swim star Ford, the dispute had nothing to do with Government.

If John Brown had expressed a view as a private citizen he would have been well within his rights.

But it's as a Minister that Brown threw his support behind Ford, implying that this was also the policy of the Federal Government.

The very last thing we want in Australia is for any government to be so heavily in sport.

Our sporting administrators and officials have the democratic right to be as stupid as they wish without big brother threatening them.

God help us if Government Ministers begin to meddle into the operation of sporting teams.

The government's job is to provide adequate provisions and facilities for sport and recreation; The rest is up to the community.

Imagine if people in soccer all dashed to Minister Brown seeking arbitration in disputes. And imagine the reaction to the Minister's decisions. . . . as Sir Humphrey Appleby would be apt to tell his minister it's not the government's job to make people happy.

Indeed, the less the government does the happier society we have. Perhaps Minister John Brown should spend more time watching tapes of "Yes Minister" and less time playing swim selector.



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World Club Cup finals

1968

Estudiantes de la Plata 1 (Cognigliaro 28) Manchester United 0

HT: 1-0 Att: 65,000. Ref: Miranda (Per). September 25.
Estudiantes: Poletti - Suarez, Medina, Malbernat, Pachame - Madero, Ribaud - Bilaro - Cognigliaro, Tognari, Veron. Coach: Zubeldia.
Man. Utd: Stepney - Dunne, Foulkes, Sadler, Burns - Crerand, Stiles, Charlton - Morgan, Law, Best. Manager: Busby. *Stiles sent off.

Manchester United 1 (Morgan 5) Estudiantes de la Plata 1 (Veron 5).

HT: 1-1 Att: 60,000. Estudiantes 2-1 on agg.
Man. Utd: Stepney - Dunne, Foulkes, Sadler, Brennan - Crerand, Charlton - Morgan, Kidd, Law (Sent off). Best Manager: Busby. *Best sent off.
Estudiantes: Poletti - Malbernat, Suarez, Medina, Bilaro - Pachame, Madero - Ribaud (Echeoper), Cognigliaro, Tognari, Veron. Coach: Zubeldia. *Medina sent off.

1973
Independiente 1 (Bocchini 79) Juventus 0

HT: 0-0 Att: 35,000. Ref: Belcourt (Bol). Single match in Rome, November 28. Independiente win (Juventus deputised for Ajax).
Independiente: Santoro - Comisero, Lopez, Sa, Pavoni - Reimondo, Galvan, Bocchini - Balbuena, Magliori, Bertoni (Semenewicz).
Juventus: Zoff - Spinosi (Viola), Selvadore, Morini, Marchetti - Casulo, Cuccureddu, Gentile - Altafini, Anastasi, Battaglia (Longobucco). Coach: Parola.

1981
Nacional 1 (Victorino 10) Nottingham Forest 0

HT: 1-0 Att: 62,000. Ref:

Abraham Klein (Israel, played in Tokyo.

Nacional: Rodriguez - Moreira, Blanco, Enriquez, Gonzalez - Miller, Esparrago, Luzardo, Morales - Bica, Victorino. Subs unused: Pereira, Molina, W. Cabrera, J. Cabrera, Perez.
Forest: Shilton - Anderson, Lloyd, Burns, F. Gray - Ponte (sub Ward, 68m), O'Neill, S. Gray, Robertson - Wallace, Francis. Sub unused: Needham. (Forest took only 14 players; McGovern failed a fitness test on the eve of the game).



Gary Birtles of Notts Forest

Sept 26, 1956: Champions' Cup, prelim round, 2nd leg

MANCHESTER UNITED 10 (Viollet 4, Taylor 3, Whelan 2, Berry) ANDERLECHT 0

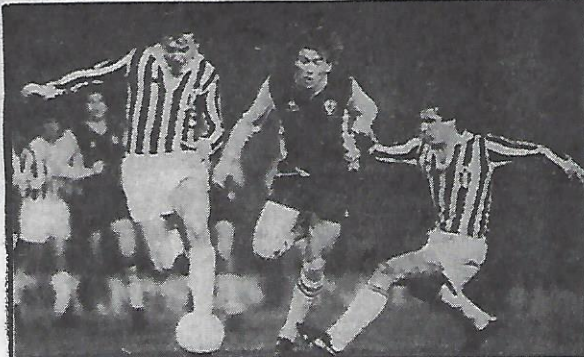
HT: 4-0. Ref: M. Griffiths (Wal). Att: 43,635 (at Maine Road)

United 12-0 on agg
MAN. UTD: Wood - Foulkes, Byrnes, Colman, Jones, Edwards, Berry, Whelan, Taylor, Viollet, Pegg.
ANDERLECHT: Week - Gettemans, Culot, Van der Wilt, De Koster, Hannon, De Driyer, Van der Bosch, Mermans, De Wael, Jurion.

This was one of the matches which made the Champions' Cup - and the memories are all the more poignant because this was one of the first, and greatest, European performances of the pre-Munich Manchester United, the Busby Babes.

United had defied the English soccer hierarchy to take part in the second edition of the European Cup and had opened their drive into uncharted territory by winning the first leg 2-0 in Brussels against this Anderlecht side managed, ironically, by Lancastrian Bill Gormlie, a one-time Blackburn goalkeeper.

Dennis Viollet and Tommy Taylor scored the



Juventus stars Zbigniew Boniek (left) and Gaetano Scirea combine to foil Aston Villa's Tony Morely in an European Cup match.

two goals which brought victory in Brussels after a close game. But the return was soon little more than a formality. For 20 minutes the Belgians held out. Then United ripped four goals past goalkeeper Felix Week in 22 minutes and the tie was over.

Viollet, a future England international and much under-rated player who never earned the recognition he deserved, scored four times; Taylor contributed a hat-trick, Billy Whelan two and the scoring was completed by Johnny Berry.

The Belgians were no mugs. Pierre Hannon and Jef Jurion would later emerge as influential players for both club and country in the mid-1960s and Jef Mermans, the bustling centre-forward, still rates as one of Belgium's best.

It was just that on the night everything went right for United. Manager Matt Busby said afterwards: "It was the finest exhibition of teamwork I have ever seen."

It was also a vital part in the making of the European Cup. And, for United, the start of a long and painful quest which would reach its climax 12 years later in that 4-2 extra-time victory over Benfica at Wembley.



Robert Prytz (left) and Gregor Stevens (right) of Rangers, pursue Charlie Nicholas, then of Celtic.

RANGERS' RECORD



Rangers 'keeper Peter McCloy

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Lucchessi the hero of Avala

Avala registered its first win of the season at the expense of Polonia and now is only two points away from seventh placed Bankstown. Robert Lucchessi, Avala's enterprising full-back, was his side's hero as he hammered in a 19th minute winner at Chopin Park.

Inter Monaro had another unhappy visit to Sydney. After failing to win against Auburn, it was lucky not to have lost against Yugal. After 28 minutes, Inter Monaro was three goals down and looked well beaten. Then came an unfortunate own goal by Forester and the fortunes quickly changed with Monaro getting a point to go to the top of the table still undefeated.

Sutherland suffered its second straight loss, this time at the hands of Rockdale Ilinden at Seymour Shaw Park. Johnny Lavin, the coach of Sutherland, is worried about his team's form, particularly up front.

While Canterbury accounted for Bankstown to firm its grasp on a top four spot with fine goals by John Anagnostopoulos, Auburn took two points from the hot bed of Parklands Oval with a 37th minute penalty by Tony O'Shana. Auburn now has taken fifth spot and is only two points away from the leaders.

Polonia, Warringah then Yugal confront Auburn in the next three weeks. None of them have shown enough to be rated good chances to defeat the new-look Mona Park side.

Auburn Urugay 1 Kuringia 1

Scorer: O'Shana Pen, 37th

Auburn continued to climb the ladder with this success over Kuringia.

Tony O'Shana, Auburn's burly striker, scored the winner from the penalty spot after Brian Denne handled on the line. It was O'Shana who volleyed the ball goalwards after Andrew Prentice spilled a corner kick from the right hand side, so it was fitting that O'Shana should take the spot kick. That was in the 38th minute.

Kuringia made a fist of this encounter and had most of the play in the first half with Chris Quigley and Terry Bertram, both ex-Auburn players, looking most menacing.

Quigley had an opportunity to score after 23 minutes but

his shot from close range after a neat free-kick by Dene, went well over the bar. Bertram missed again after 51 minutes. Another first timer across the box by Dene, set up the chance. However, Bertram's angled shot finished well past the far post with Rosano stranded on the line.

Auburn too had chances. Townsend headed over early, then Roy Carney slammed his shot over the bar after an error by Jesse.

Midway through the first half, O'Shana broke through on the left and with Townsend free, metres from the line, he smacked his shot from an acute angle against the side netting! O'Shana had two more chances during the second period, in the 55th and 75th, after eluding Watson, but his finishing was poor. George Aikoutas could have put the result beyond doubt but he too missed an opportunity late in the game.

Polonia 0 Avala 1

Scorer: Lucchessi 19th

Venue: Chopin Park

Robert Lucchessi, Avala's young import from Marconi, gave his club a new lease of life with a thundering shot after 19 minutes of play to put Avala on the road to its first victory of the season.

Lucchessi went on an overlapping excursion down the right flank before sending his cross to the left for Nikola Duvnjak. After some deliberation, Duvnjak attempted a shot from outside the area but the ball rebounded off a defender to the feet of Lucchessi who slammed it back into the net.

Avala had most of the play during the first period with Vic Bozanic hitting the crossbar as early as the 3rd minute.

But a one-goal advantage did little to give Avala a new-found semblance of cohesion and sloppy play almost wasted its effort during the

NSW State League with ALEX VESIC

first half. Polonia came into the match and almost capitalised on some poor defensive play by Avala in the second period.

At the other end, Lucchessi could have sealed it for Avala after getting two more chances during this period.

Sutherland 1 Rockdale Ilinden 2

Scorer: R. Brown 22nd, Jones 55th, Grooms 80th. Venue: Seymour Shaw Park.

Rockdale Ilinden came to Seymour Shaw Park looking for a point and played accordingly. With four men stretched across the middle of the park and only Ross Brown and Branko Karanfilovski up front it was obvious that the men from Rockdale were not intent on doing adventurous things.

However, while Rockdale played controlled football, waiting for its opponent to make mistakes, Sutherland came at it from all angles, but not with much cohesion and with very little purpose in front of goal.

Brown's shot in the 22nd minute took a deflection on its way to beating Paul Dart to give Rockdale the lead, then 10 minutes into the second half, with Sutherland charging forward, yet another goal to the visitors sealed the game.

While there was a certain amount of luck in the first goal, there was a flash of brilliance in the second. Kotzohambos found Geoff Wilson who quickly played a through ball for Ken Slavski and Sutherland was in all sorts of bother. Slavski ran to the by-line before cutting it back for Terry Jones to score from five metres.

Sutherland fought back and managed to cut Rockdale's lead through Nigel Grooms, after some good work by Craig Rogers but the visitors held on to take the points.

For Rockdale it was a welcome return to the winning circle after recent disappointing results. But Sutherland will have to improve

greatly before it is to challenge seriously for the title. Assuming that Manly will collect the two points in its deferred match with Warringah, Manly will be all of five points ahead of Sutherland and that is after only seven rounds. A big gap to bridge, even for a solid side like Sutherland.

Canterbury 2 Bankstown National 0

Scorer: Anagnostopoulos 62nd, 82nd. Venue: Arlington Oval

Canterbury struggled against Bankstown for almost an hour before John Xipolitis, its coach, decided to bring on his star player, John Anagnostopoulos, in place of Philippos. Despite the fact that Anagnostopoulos was carrying an injury, he came on full of fire to score two goals and decide the issue.

Both goals came after some brilliant work by Louis Dounis, Canterbury's acquisition from Sydney Olympic, with Anagnostopoulos having only to put the ball into the net from close range.

While Canterbury celebrated its fourth win of the season it now is crisis time for Bankstown National. The side beat Kuringia 4-1 and Polonia 4-0, but only scored one goal and took one point from the other five matches played with three losses in the last four encounters.

So the side most believed would challenge for the top four now is only two points adrift from the bottom of the table.

El Hosseni, Bankstown's star striker, hardly was used. Some believe by instruction!

Yugal 3 Inter Monaro 3

Scorer: McGrath 17th, Pahor Pen, 22nd, Themindes 29th, Forester 09, 35th, Brennan 43rd, Colbertaldo 86th. Venue: Fraser Park

Inter Monaro is still unbeaten and at the top of the table after seven rounds. The side which is already dubbed "The Entertainers" has now scored 22 goals and conceded 12.

While most would be happy about Inter Monaro's forward line, I could not see this side going far in reality top com-

pany without wholesale changes to the backline.

Certainly not Michael Hocking, for he was Inter Monaro's saviour. He was in the way of some fierce shots from Yugal players to deny them with some acrobatic and brave efforts.

Sure, Santolin and Giampaolo were missing, but Ambrosino slotted into the backline and the rest of the side looked fairly solid, but only on paper.

Yugal went into the lead after 17 minutes after Ljubo Zivkovic put Dennis McGrath through, then five minutes later Themindes brought down Eddie Pahor scored from the resultant free kick.

In the 29th minute some magic from Themindes, who waltzed through some would-be tackles, enabled him to score and make it 3-0.

David Forester got in the way of a cross from Montenegro to score an own goal and give Inter a glimmer of hope after 35 minutes, then two minutes before half time, Tony Brennan was put through by Walter Valeri to make it 3-2.

The second half was a see-sawing affair with Yugal denied by the woodwork and Hocking. A great shot by Themindes was palmed against the crossbar by Hocking in the 48th, then minutes later Stanko Tanovski hit the post.

Valeri had an ideal opportunity to score from the penalty spot in the 57th after Colbertaldo was brought down inside the area. Valeri hit the crossbar with his shot, then at the other end of the field McGrath to save McGrath, upset over the whole thing, clashed with Hocking and was sent-off.

Inter Monaro brought on Harry Williams for Selgado to strengthen its side and it certainly worked for Williams was spoken to by the referee. Three occasions in the space of five minutes for some vigorous tackling. With four minutes to go, Brennan's run provided Colbertaldo with an opportunity and the scoreline read 3-3.

Then, in the dying seconds, Hocking made yet another save from a well-taken free kick by Tanovski to end this match on a dramatic note.

The visitors certainly are not the world beaters, but should the side continue to provide this kind of entertainment I'd suggest that at \$3.00, the entry fee to Inter Monaro matches is an absolute steal!

State League ladder

	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
INTER MONARO.....	4	3	0	22	11	11
MANLY WARR.....	4	2	0	16	2	10
CANTERBURY.....	4	2	1	9	5	10
ROCKDALE ILL.....	4	1	2	16	8	9
Auburn.....	4	1	2	9	8	9
Sutherland.....	3	1	3	9	6	7
Bankstown Nat.....	2	1	4	9	10	5
Yugal.....	1	3	3	9	12	5
Warringah Nar.....	2	1	3	11	15	6
Polonia.....	1	2	4	7	13	4
Kuringia.....	1	2	4	8	17	4
Avala.....	1	1	5	6	23	3

THIS WEEK

Saturday
Auburn v. Polonia at Mona Park; Rockdale Ilinden v. Bankstown at Hurstville.

Sunday
Manly v. Yugal at Cromer Park; Avala v. Warringah at Knight Park; Sutherland v. Kuringia at Seymour Shaw; Inter v. Canterbury at Marco Polo.

TOP SCORERS

7 — Holloway (MW)
5 — Laek (MW), O'Shana (Aub), Sobczyk (P).
4 — Valeri, Giampaolo (IM), Jones, R. Brown (RI), Sandtner (WN), McGrath (Y).

3 — Dolton (BN), Joannides (CM), Ambrosino, Monteroso, Dkordjevski (IM), Grooms (SI), McDonnell (WN).

AUBURN URUGAY 1 (O'Shana 38th pen), KURINGIA 0 at Parklands Oval.

AUBURN URUGAY: Rosano 7 — Kelly 7, Watt 7, Planinic 7, Geeke 6 — Aikoutas 6, Bobanic 6, Knight 7 — Carney 6, O'Shana 6, Townsend 6.

KURINGIA: Prentice 7 — Bennett 5, Watson 7, Bertram 8, Jesse 6 — Quigley 7, Dene 5, Bourke 8, Tracey 8 — Jeffery 5, Seach 5 (Hunter 74th).

POLONIA 0 AVALA 1 (Lucchessi 19th) at Chopin Park.

POLONIA: Barker 8 — Isherwood 7, Fogarty 7, Gales 8, Jordan 7 — Divani 6, Vanderberg 8, Nowak 8 — Kowalczyk 6, Sobczyk 7 (Hart 48th 77), Lumsden 6.

AVALA: Ahrens 8 — Lucchessi 7, Budini 8, Mackenzie 8, Da Silva 7 — Duvnjak 7, Williams 7, Bozanic 6 — Harris 5 (Brown 65th), Bateman 5, Milne 5.

SUTHERLAND 1 (Grooms 80th) ROCKDALE ILINDEN 2 (Brown 22nd, Jones 55th) at Seymour Shaw Park.

SUTHERLAND: Dart 7 — Hesford 7, alford 7, Schumann 8, Terry 7 — Harrington 8 (Hughes 55th 5), Stoddart 6, Rogers 6 — Grooms 6, Gray 5, Webber 5.

ROCKDALE ILINDEN: Kotzohambos 8 — Stameski 7, Plovski 7, D. Wilson 8, G. Wilson 7 — Nasteviski 7, Youseph 7, Slavski 7, Jones 8 — Brown 7, Karanfilovski 6 (Trajovski 75th).

CANTERBURY 2 (Anagnostopoulos 63rd, 82nd) BANKSTOWN 0 at Arlington Oval.

CANTERBURY: Konistis 7, Antonopoulos 8, Hantzis 8, Karysspos 8, Laws 8 — Philippos 7 (Anagnostopoulos 55th 8), Petas 7, Ferenats 7 — Hall 7 (Joannides 87th), Dounis 8, Hajitofis 7.

BANKSTOWN: Giffin 7 — Kennedy 5, Agostino 7, Blackburn 6, Coates 7 — Dolton 7, Parker 7, Meerbanji 6 — Hassan 5 (79th Hunderbolt), Hasnic 7 (85th Apantian), El Hosseni 5.

YUGAL 3 (McGrath 17th, Pahor 22nd, Themindes 29th) INTER MONARO 3 (Forester o.g. 32nd, Brennan 44th, Colbertaldo 86th) at Fraser Park.

YUGAL: Berry 8 — Gogle 5, Forester 6, Clarke 7, Gibson 5 — Pahor 5 (48th Currie 7), Tokogich 7, Zivkovic 7 — McGrath 7 (sent off 74th), Themindes 8, Tanovski 8.

INTER MONARO: Hocking 9 — Leith 5, Frances 5, Ambrosino 6, Domazetovic 7 — Willox 7, Monteroso 6 (Colbertaldo 48th 8), Selgado 6 (82nd Williams) — Brennan 8, Valeri 7, Djordjevic 7.

The Manly Warringah v. Warringah Narrabeen match was postponed due to the waterlogged ground.

AROK NAMES 6 'A' CERTS

By PETER WINDSOR

National coach Frank Arok has played his hand and named the virtual certainties in Australia's "A" squad, for the coming international series.

Arok, under questioning, chose a Canberra Arrows V.P. club dinner last week to make the disclosure.

In doing so he listed eight certainties — in other words half of the eventual "A" squad.

They are: Terry Greedy and

David Ratcliffe (St. George); South Melbourne's Kenny Murphy and Alan Davidson (with an if-fit query against Davidson); Sydney City's John Kosmina and Joe Watson; and Sydney Olympic striker Marshall Soper and Heidelberg's Charlie Yankos.

The announcement by Arok came as a complete surprise — although it followed questions at the dinner from Canberra's public relations director, Johnny Warren.

Initially, Arok offered the names of only Soper, Kosmina and Watson — but then added the others.

And continued, by telling Canberra's Frank Farina that right

George Cross last week transfer-listed midfielder John Stevenson and striker Carl Gilder, and was trying, as we went to Press, to sign forward Bobby Tool from Green Gully.

Stevenson previously played for SM-Hellas and Sydney City Hakoah, while Carl Gilder, a former Victorian State representative, played for Melbourne Croatia and Slavia.

George Cross president Alf Zahra was angry over strong criticism of the team after its 0-7 loss to West Adelaide Hellas two weeks ago.

"Sure, we're not happy with the way we're going on the field, and it's obvious that we need a few players. But instead of calling us a disgrace to the National League, it would be much more constructive to come up with a few solutions and a bit of encouragement," Zahra said. "We are working hard at fixing our on-field problems, and I'm sure we'll come good."

now he would be better in the "B" rather than the "A" squad.

"At least in the B squad," Arok said, "you'll get regular games whereas if you come into the 'A' squad it will be very occasional games — and then only very brief appearances."

Arok explained that the reason for this was because he insisted on balance in all of his teams.

If Farina was in up front it would mean a consequential shift in the midfield.

Arok gave no indication of whether Canberra's goalkeeper Tony Franken would be the one to ultimately back Greedy.

With over 80 people attending the V.P. Club dinner at Johnny

away the opening goal of the game almost as soon as the second half had started. With Wantina High still reeling, John Gabrielson slammed in a thunderbolt from 18 metres making it 2-0.

Wantina had looked the more organised side in the first half, but lacked penetration. Doncaster East's midfield and defensive line were able to clear any danger before goalkeeper Con Chronis was threatened.

John Chronis increased the lead to three when he scored his second two minutes from time.

Wantina kept plugging away and finally netted in the last minute when Paul Atkinson rounded keeper Chronis to score from close in.

Atkinson was able to gain some consolation as that goal made him top scorer in the tournament with six goals.

The Leader Cup was a joint venture by State League club Ringwood City Wilhelmnia and Leader Associated Newspapers. The competition involved secondary schools in the outer eastern suburbs and hills area.

Two goals in 80 seconds within a minute of the start to the second half, were enough to give Doncaster East High a comfortable cushion which it successfully defended to win the Inaugural Leader Secondary Schools' Cup.

Doncaster's John Chronis capitalised on a defensive mistake by Wantina High to put

Warren's superb Gold Creek Homestead on Canberra's outskirts it was by far the club's best night yet.

Arok is a superbly entertaining after-dinner speaker.

Juventus tops

Thousands of delirious Juventus fans turned Turin into a carnival site to celebrate their team's 21st Italian league championship, sewn up with a 1-1 draw against lowly Avellino.

Defending champion Roma lost its slim chance of pipping Juventus by making heavy weather of a 2-2 draw with bottom club Catania in Sicily. Juventus was quickly in command against Avellino and took the lead in the first half when a defence-splitting pass by Polish striker Zbigniew Boniek was netted by Paolo Rossi. But the spark went out of Juventus' play after Boniek had narrowly missed increasing his side's lead.

Avellino's equaliser came 15 minutes from the end after it had been awarded a penalty for a foul by Antonio Cabrini. Franco Colomba converted the spot kick.

Roma, without star players Paolo Falcao and Bruno Conti, paid the penalty for taking it easy after striking twice in the opening half hour.

Panathinaikos clinched the Greek First Division title, despite losing 2-1 to Olympiakos, which finished runner-up.

Panserraios is relegated to the Second Division, while Panionios and Panionios play next Sunday to decide the other relegation spot.

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VSF DUNNE'S MEN READY FOR BATTLE



Morwell Falcons coach Jimmy Dunne has been gearing up for the past few weeks for Fawknor's visit to the Latrobe Valley. That day arrives this Saturday.

Dunne knows that Fawknor boasts some of the most aggressive players in State League but says that his side is ready and willing to mix it with the league leader.

Morwell's most pressing problem on Saturday will be trying to compete with Ian Tuffield's tre-

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

mendous aerial power. And Falcons are yet to settle on a strong striking combination. John O'Callaghan, a midfielder, already has filled in up front this season.

46th, penalty 61st, penalty 80th (B).

Fawknor's been playing it easy early in the season. Coach Gus Macleod has been talking about trying to make the top four even though the side now is a firm favourite for the championship. Maybe Macleod doesn't want

early season success to go to his players' heads.

Fawknor, on paper at least, should have the edge in comparison to players such as Frank Macleod, Peter Boyle and Ged Bannan don't know how to give in.

While Steve Moore and Jim Macleod have the tough going reputation of the above mentioned Fawknor trio, there's no doubting their tremendous ability. Fawknor will start favorite but I'm tipping a draw.

Kerr joined from Sunshine-Grove Cross for \$2,000 while Livingstone was signed from Preston Makedonia for \$4,000. Kerr made his debut against Knox City last weekend and could be joined in the starting line-up by Livingstone for Sunday's clash at Croynod Park against St Albans Dinamo.

Hammy McMechan has thrown down the gauntlet to his Doveton players.

thoughts of a huge player clear-out far behind. In fact once John Cressy gets back into the starting line-up and coach Tony Vrina settles on how best to use Juan Toro and Mike Micevski, the Northcote line-up looks very respectable.

With Ian Stinton and Kevin Wall up front, the Northcotes have bags of attacking bite.

However, I'll stick out my neck and go for Box Hill in what could be a very closely fought battle.

Here are this week's selections:

Buffalo State League ladder

	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
FAWKNER	6	1	0	22	11	13
POLONIA	4	3	0	18	6	11
W. SUBURBS	5	0	2	20	16	10
BOX HILL	4	2	1	12	8	10
F'ston Pines	4	2	1	10	6	10
Morwell Falc.	3	3	1	10	4	9
Croydon	4	0	3	8	10	8
Northcote	3	0	4	16	13	6
Albion Rovers	2	1	4	6	12	5
Knox City	2	1	4	9	16	5
Wilhelmina	0	4	3	9	13	4
Broadmeadows	2	0	5	9	15	4
Doveton	0	2	5	6	12	2
St. Albans	0	1	6	4	17	1

3-goal Watson

By MICK MITTEN

Doveton 2 Broadmeadows 3

Scorers: J. McDonald 60th, 89th (D); George Watson 46th, penalty 61st, penalty 80th (B).

Venue: Waratah Reserve.

It took a controversial goal in the 46th minute of the first half to open the scoring in an encounter vital to the State League survival prospects of both outfits.

Referee Evan Venios, who played just over 47 minutes in the first half but made up for it by playing only 44 minutes in the second half, was the man at the centre of this controversy.

Broadmeadows took a short free kick from the edge of the Doveton penalty area. Broadmeadows midfielder George Watson hammered in a slot which Doveton goalie Adam Ryan parried.

The ball lobbed up in the air and dropped over the line only to be sent back into play. Referee Venios allowed play to continue but eventually, after repeated appeals from Broadmeadows players, he approached his linesman. After a prolonged discussion, Venios awarded a goal.

Doveton hit back in the 60th minute. A poor Broad-

meadows goal kick put Mark Lennon in possession. He made ground then let fly with a left foot shot which struck the upright and cannoned across goal to John McDonald who slammed the ball into the roof of the net.

But within a minute Broadmeadows had regained the lead.

Michael Laletas, who joined Doveton from Juventus earlier this year, pulled down a Broadmeadows player inside the area and George Watson converted from the penalty spot.

Broadmeadows gained a two-goal cushion in the 80th minute, again from the penalty spot. With the Doves pressing for the equaliser, young Tim Peck broke down the left. He flung the ball into the Doveton area and Lou Vaccaro was pushed in the back by Graham Watson. George Watson got his hat-trick from the resultant penalty.

Albion Rovers sprung the surprise of last weekend's round by taking a point away from home against title contender Polonia. The Rovers can get another point from Knox City at Selwyn Park on Saturday.

Broadmeadows scored their second league win against undermanned Doveton last weekend but still find it hard to handle at Laura Douglas Reserve on Saturday. Broadmeadows were trying to sign Stuart Blair from South Australian club Azzurri as we went to the reserves. Albion and Alex Livingstone signed with Croydon last week.

Ringwood Wilhelmina, yet to record a league success in 1984, will have to wait at least another week. It runs into Jimmy Condill's free school day at Western Suburbs side at Jubilee Park on Sunday and looks like losing. Ged Stenson and Bill Lazopoulos can run the Wilhelmina defence ragged.

Box Hill's trip to John Cain Reserve is fraught with danger. Northcote now has left all

Nothing to Pine about

By MIKE HARVEY

Box Hill 1 Frank. Pines 1

Scorers: Smith 32nd (BH); McGinnigle 30th (Pines).

Venue: Wembley Park.

The Oxford University Dictionary defines the verb "to pine" as the penal sufferings of hell or purgatory.

On this form, Frankston will not be pining too often this year.

In fact, it came to Wembley Park looking for a point and finished the day achieving its target in no uncertain fashion.

Dave Stuchbury had saved brilliantly from Steve Smith after about 20 minutes, and was not to be seen from the same player sail inches over the bar with the keeper off his line before the visitors opened the scoring in the 30th minute.

Pedro Ramos was caught in possession on the edge of the area and surrendered the ball to Ian McGinnigle who made no mistake from 15 metres.

The Hillmen equalised two minutes later after Peter Verrechia had been fouled by Jimmy Wilson about 30 metres from goal. Darren White's shot hit the wall but the rebound was relayed by Ian Roodhouse to Brian Keenan on the right wing. The winger's cross found White on the far post, who turned the ball back inside for Smith to ram home from point blank range.

The second half was a period of missed chances by both sides.

Paul Cooke hit the side netting when well placed, and a shot of 40 metres run by Peter Thurlow through the middle

was only stopped by a brave save by John McKinlay. Then Alistair Dick, who had replaced Tom O'Halloran, shot wide after good work Gordon Livingston and McGinnigle had put him in a scoring position.

At the other end Andy Hughes shot over the bar when well placed after a delicate Verrechia header, and a rasping left foot drive by Keenan only missed the angle of the post and the bar by inches.

Late in the game Smith, who had been a constant threat to the visitors defence, shot wide when well placed, and Stuchbury made a superb save from the same player only minutes later.

Referee Jim Ferny handled this game extremely well, allowing play to flow wherever possible.

DOVETON 2 (J. McDonald 60th, 89th) BROADMEADOWS 3 (Watson 46th, penalty 61st, 80th) at Waratah Reserve, Sunday.

DOVETON: Ryan 5 — McLeod 7, Gadsby 7, Laletas 6, Fitzpatrick 7 — Holmes 5 (Savio H.T.), Graham Watson 6, Buchan 7, Edmondson 7 (McDonald 8th), Donaldson 6, Sendra 6, Acosta 7 — Stolkos 6, George Watson 9, Daniels 8, Pocock 7 — Vaccaro 7 (Campbell 80th), Liberto 7. Coach: Dave O'Connor.

Best three for Schipano Player of the Year award: 3. George Watson (Broad), 2. J. McDonald (Doves), 1. Daniels (Broad).

POLONIA 2 ALBION ROVERS 0 at Raleigh Reserve, Sunday.

POLONIA: Fryzser 6 — Upianski 6, McCluskey 5, Mla 6, Smolark 7 — Gregorczyk 4 (Petrov 5th), S. Czapiak 4 — Innes 5, Przybyla 5. Coach: John Gardner.

ALBION ROVERS: Bryden 7 — Galea 7, Gilmour 7, Stevens 7, Douglas 8 — D'Silva 7, McMorrow 7, Reilly 8 — Feneck 6 (Robertson 70th), Bouzas 6, Spiteri 7. Coach: Billy McIntyre.

Best three for Schipano Player of the Year award: 3. Douglas (ARI), 2. Reilly (ARI), 1. Smolark (Pol).

ST. ALBANS DINAMO 0 MORWELL FALCONS 1 (Cassar 27th) at Churchill Reserve, Saturday.

ST. ALBANS DINAMO: Lackos 5 — Kuzman 5, Bozic 5, Brkljatic 6, Morovic 5 (Jutrisa 80th) — Dezic 4, Nobilo 4, Pavlovic 4, Batilovic 5 — Bruno 4 (Mecanovic 70th), Culina 6. Coach: Pero Kasalo.

MORWELL FALCONS: Whiteside 5 — Bingham 7, Higham 4, Bruns 4, Train 5 — Cassar 7, MacLean 4, Moore 4, Kent 4 (Brabbin 90th), Athensych 4 (Webster 46th), O'Callaghan 4. Coach: Jimmy Dunne.

Best three for Schipano Player of the Year award: 3. Bingham (MF), 2. Cassar (MF), 1. Brkljatic (St. A).

KNOX CITY 2 (House 60th) CROYDON 3 (Lucio Saia 15th, 36th, Irvine 21st) at Egan Lee Reserve, Saturday.

KNOX CITY: McTurk 6 — Tunstall 6 (Inj. Murray 85th), Bissinger 6, Brindle 6, Dixon 6 — Smith 6, Bryden 6 (Gerrish 75th), Roddis 6 — Kojic 6, House 7, Masters 6. Coach: Eric Leslie.

CROYDON: Kestner 7 — Rainey 7, Singleton 6, Brewerton 7, Brown 6 — Bates 7, Kerr 7, Lucio Saia 7 — Killey 7, French 7, Irvine 8. Coach: Colin Hasler.

Best three for Schipano Player of the Year award: 3. Irvine (Croy), 2. House (Knox), 1. Rainey (Croy).

BOX HILL 1 (Smith 32nd) FRANKSTON PINES 1 (McGinnigle 30th) at Wembley Park, Sunday.

BOX HILL: McKinlay 1 — Roodhouse 8, A. Roodhouse 8, Brooks 8, Brownlie 8, Hughes 7, White 7, (Valentine 72nd), Ramos 5, (Lawler 85th), Keenan 7, Smith 8. Coach: Bill Murray.

FRANKSTON PINES: Stuchbury 8, Thurlow 8, Cooke 8, Wilton 7, Cumming 7, Cooke 7, (Cullen 70th), Ross 7, Livingston 7, O'Halloran 7, (Dick 62nd), McGinnigle 8, Miller 7. Coach: Danny McMillan.

Best three for Schipano Player of the Year award: 3. Smith (BH), 2. Stuchbury (Pines), 1. A. Roodhouse (BH).

FAWKNER 4 (Tuffield 22nd, 26th, Cozzella 32nd, 75th) RINGWOOD WILHELMINA 3 (Burton penalty 60th, penalty 64th, Warszawski 80th) at Smith Reserve, Sunday.

FAWKNER: Terzini 5 — McKinlay 7, Macleod 7, Cavallari 7, Hobson 7 — Palmariotti 6 (Lia 65th), Boyle 7, Garvey 7 — Palinkas 8, Cozzella 8, Tuffield 9. Coach: Gus Macleod.

RINGWOOD WILHELMINA: Lee (Inj. Janssen 5th), Verniers 7, Corke 6, Murray 8, Kevin Adams 7 — Thorne 6, Meyer 6, Burton 7 — Warszawski 8, Shannon 7, Stewart 6. Coach: Rudy van Altena.

Best three for Schipano Player of the Year award: 3. Tuffield (Fawk), 2. Warszawski (Wilhi), 1. Cozzella (Fawk).

WESTERN SUBURBS 5 (Stenson 35th, 55th, Kantonakis 60th, Coyle 85th, Lazopoulos 88th) NORTH-COTE 3 (Quigley, Bozika penalty, Stinton) at Ralph Reserve, Sunday.

WESTERN SUBURBS: Tachiris 6 — Hammil 6, Dimovski 7, Howe 7, Lekkas 7 — Coule 6, Kantonakis 7, Mussel 7 — Lazopoulos 8, Stenson 8, Fillips 6 (sent off 80th). Coach: Jimmy Collins.

NORTH-COTE: Giannopoulos 7 — Wright 6, Bozika 5, Katsakidis 7 — Wilson 6, Quigley 8, Micevski 6 — Dionisopoulos 5 (Wall 75th), Stinton 7, Boarotto 7. Coach: Tony Vrina.

Best three for Schipano Player of the Year award: 3. Stenson (WS), 2. Quigley (North), 1. Lazopoulos (WS).

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- 11 — Stenson (WS)
- 10 — Bingham (Morw), Quigley (North)
- 9 — Smith (Box Hill), Burton (Wilhel)
- 9 — Przybyla (Pol)
- 1 — Tuffield (Fawk)

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- 6 — Lazopoulos (WS), Watson (Broad)
- 5 — Cozzella (Fawk)
- 4 — Dionisopoulos (North), Gerrish, House (Knox), Smith (Box Hill), Stenson (WS)

SELECTIONS

METROPOLITAN DIVISION ONE

RICHMOND 0 HUNAWADING CITY 1 (Van Egmond 84th) at Easton Oval, Sunday.

RICHMOND: Birkner, Robertson, Alatters, Papadimitriou, Kuppel, Werner, Pandey, Kitchner, Tattos, Goullias, E. Greenwald (P. Delongos 51st).

HUNAWADING CITY: Madjar (P. Faraham 62nd), Brown, J. Greenwald, Fuzzer, S. Dama, Balkor, Van Leuven (L. Nyholt 71st), N. Van Egmond, Mullett, W. Greenwald.

Despite enjoying territorial superiority for the entire match, Hunawading did not score the winning goal until the 84th minute. A packed Richmond defence looked as though it might earn the bottom of the table a valuable point.

Despite the first half pressure it took a goal line clearance from S. Deane and fine saves from Madjar and his deputy Fensham to keep the Hunawading goal intact as Richmond became a bit more adventurous in the second half.

Just when Richmond's defence appeared to be holding out, John Nyholt's left wing cross found Van Egmond 10 metres out. He coolly controlled the ball and slotted it past Birkner's despairing dive into the corner of the net.

DIVISION TWO SANDRINGHAM CITY 2 (Dillon 46th, Jacobi penalty 73rd) SOUTH OAKLEIGH 0 at Silfiro Reserve, Saturday.

SANDRINGHAM CITY: Kiroc 7 — Oplen 7, Plumb 8, Finnegan 8, Stuart 9 — Mackay 7, Greenwood 7, Dillon 10 (Inj. Bulck 84th) — Jacobi 7, Poci 8, Coyne 7 (Donnelly 51st).

SOUTH OAKLEIGH: Alexandropoulos 6 — T. Gavardinas 4, Tsakopoulos 4, Karapantatos 8, Stogiannou 6 — Pehliana 4, Leonaros 6, Kontokostas 8, J. Gual 4, Tassoulas 34th, Inj. J. Gual 65th — Stergiou 6, T. Gavardinas 5.

This historic victory — Sandringham's first against South Oakleigh — was achieved by a group of committed, spirited and well organised players.

Every Sandringham player contributed. The same can't be said about South Oakleigh's players. With the exception of tireless midfielder Kontokostas and experienced sweep Marko Karapantatos, South Oakleigh struggled to strike up.

Se restrictively it has become renowned for in the past two Metro seasons.

The star of the match was Sandringham midfielder Tony Dillon. His incredible running ability coupled with his fine close control and fierce competitiveness left an indelible mark on this absorbing encounter.

ELTHAM 2 (Itou 40th, Schipano 52nd) HEIDELBERG BUNDORA 0 at North Eltham, Saturday.

ELTHAM: Carey 6, Alderson 7, M. Cirka 6, Lewis 7, DeLany 6, Winkward 6, Curcio 7 (Vanderah 80th), Raynes 6, Itou 8, Norton 8, Schipano 7.

HEIDELBERG-BUN: Jones 7, Phillips 7, O'Hanlon 8, Edwards 9, Mowatt 8, Gaw 8, Smith 6, McCulliken 7, Hodgson 6, Sternit 8, Carlson 6.

Eltham and Heidelberg slugged out the local derby with the Redbacks triumphing. Although the 'Berg had as much of the play as the Redbacks they failed to create any clear chances and paid the price.

The first goal came five minutes before the interval when David Norton miskicked a cross and George Itou, following up, put the ball in the net with a flying header.

McMillan in the second period Schipano more or less sealed the game when he ran on to a fine ball from Norton and scored from an acute angle.

DIVISION FOUR CLIFTON HILL 2 (Andriotti 49th, Petropoulos 55th) HAWTHORN 1 (Tir 76th).

CLIFTON HILL: J. Kyrgios, J. Delipoulos, L. Vlahakis, J. O'Toole, L. Kavalanis, N. Lorenti (Myrystidis 70th), P. Petropoulos, G. Palegatos, H. Contreras, J. Stetakis (A. Fakos 30th), Andriotti.

Best players: Petropoulos, O'Toole, Palegatos.

DIVISION THREE HAMLYN RANGERS 3 (McMillan 14th, 66th, Aud 59th) ESSENDON TRIESTINA 1 (Del Porto 68th) at Myr Reserve, Saturday.

HAMLYN RANGERS: Nydhm 7 — Appard 7, Cilly 7, Hamro 7, Wark 6, McMillan 8, Ferris 8, Aud 6, Gilroye 5, Wallace 8, Gummer 5.

ESSENDON TRIESTINA: Fantone 4, Del Porto 6, Vagga 8 (Tribuzze 53rd), S. Sogi 4, Vasanav 6, Menini 4, Scordo 5, Powell 4, Sodomo 4 (Zaccaria 79th), Sabidussi 5, Zavattiero 4.

Hamlyn Rangers charged to the top of Third Division with a convincing win over Essendon Triestina.

The game opened at a furious pace and Rangers opened their account in the 14th minute through former Juventus and Albion Rovers player Andy McMillan. His volley from 20 metres left Alex Fantoma flat-footed. Triestina came back with shots from Powell and Sabidussi, the latter forcing Nydhm into a brave save.

Just 11 minutes into the second half McMillan struck again, this time from a set-piece situation. Appleyard's free kick was headed in by McMillan to make it 2-0.

A few minutes later a Bennie Ferrie kick found Billy Aud, whose diving header made it 3-0.

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AMATEUR LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

Sunday: MANDARIN PARK v MACCABI; MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY v Lonsdale; NORTH MELBOURNE v Endeavour Hills; WAVERLEY UNITED v Balwyn City; ACORN ST MARKS v CHADSTONE; BALACALVA v Sandown.

DIVISION TWO

Sunday: RMIT v Phillip Institute; VERNONY v Phillip College; WEST UNITED v South Springside; WESTERBOROUGH v United CONCORDIA v EIM Sports College; EAGLES UNITED v Northmead; Sandown v Sandown.

YOUTH LEAGUE

Sunday: BRUNSWICK JUVENIAT v Pranton; Footscray v MELBOURNE CHATELAIN; GREEN GULLY v Federation Park; SOUTH MELBOURNE v Naremburn City; Knox City v HEIDELBERG UNITED; MORWELL FALCONS v Sunshine George Cross.

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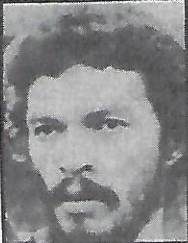
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Rangers to play in NZ on June 9

By PAUL MOON

• The legendary Johan Cruyff celebrated his 37th birthday two days early when scoring twice for Feyenoord against Dordrecht.

The Rotterdam club is now three points clear of second placed PSV Eindhoven, with only four games remaining in the Dutch First Division programme.

• Welsh national team manager Mike England has drafted Mark Hughes into his squad — after only a handful of games for Manchester United.

• Luxembourg national team coach Louis Pilot has replaced the suspended Raymond Goethals at Standard Liege.

Israel now has been no fewer than 10 different European national teams in Tel Aviv, yet away from its own soil can claim only a solitary success against Finland. Little wonder then that Israel is keen to host the Socceros during the World Cup qualifiers.

• Bayern Munich has spent \$300,000 in obtaining the transfer of striker Roland Wohlfarth from MSV Duisburg to replace Italy-bound Karl-Heinz Rummenigge.

• Aberdeen and Scotland full back Stuart Kennedy is expected to announce his retirement soon, having failed to recover from the knee injury which has sidelined him for over a year.

• Brazil captain Socrates is reported to have agreed to join Internazionale Milan, with the proviso that he will not be subjected to the restrictions on personal freedoms which are usually imposed upon Italian-based professionals.

• The Italian federation's decision to ban foreign imports after June is being scrutinised by the European Common Market, which believes it contravenes its freedom of movement labor laws.

German Cup semi-final a real 'gas'

Borussia Moenchengladbach snatched an extra-time 5-4 victory over Werder Bremen to reach the West German Cup final in the match which was explosive in more ways than one.

With the home side leading 2-1 midway through the second half, a bomb containing some form of tear gas was thrown onto the field from where Werder fans were massed.

Players from both sides collapsed. Even a section of the crowd was in tears before the gas dispersed.

The match, held up for four minutes, really came alive after the restart. Uwe Rahn, one of the players who had collapsed, headed Borussia into a 3-1 lead after 76 minutes.

But Werder came straight back with three goals in four minutes from Bodo Mielmann, Wolfgang Sidka and Uwe Reinders. The visitors appeared headed for the final until Borussia substituted Joerg Crieis made it 4-4 in the last minute of normal time.

Crieis grabbed the winner in the second period of extra time to take Moenchengladbach to the final on May 31.

Borussia finished the match with 10 men after Rahn was taken off with blood pouring from his face following a clash with his own keeper Uli Sude, who also sustained a face wound.

In a thrilling tie, televised live, the three first-half goals all fell within four minutes. Lothar Matthaus opened the scoring for Borussia, Norbert Meier equalised almost instantly before Norbert Ringsdorf made it 2-1.

Werder started the match without the suspended West German international striker Rudi Voeller, sweeper Bruno Pezzey, who was on World Cup duty for Austria and injured Japanese star Jashiko Okudera.

• The first goal in the 1986 World Cup has been scored by a team of young Mexican graphic designers whose winning design for the event's mascot features a green chili pepper wearing a sombrero.

The team, known as Medios Profesionales De Comunicacion (MPC), came first out of more than 11,000 entrants. Their design, known as Pique (pronounced peek-ay), was unveiled by International Football Federation (FIFA) officials in Mexico City.

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• Argentinos Juniors claim they are still owed \$700,000 by Barcelona for Diego Maradona's transfer. Under the transfer agreement, the two clubs were to play seven friendlies in North and Central America which would have guaranteed Juniors \$100,000 per game, but Barca has consistently declined to play these matches. Now, the Buenos Aires club is pressing for the encounters to take place, or a cash settlement, or the return of the Argentinian superstar.

• Glasgow Rangers will take a short break from the international series in Australia to play a New Zealand select in Auckland on June 9.

• Nottingham Forest and Brest have agreed terms for the transfer of Scottish striker Ian Wallace. Now it is up to the player to decide whether or not he wishes to move to France. Should the transfer be completed, Forest will receive \$200,000 — compared with the \$2,500,000 it paid Coventry City three years ago.

• Wolverhampton Wanderers Chairman Derek Dougan offered to resign following the dismissal of manager Graham Hawkins, but this was unanimously rejected by the club's board of directors.

• Dundee United manager Jim McLean has been fined \$1,000 by the Scottish Football Association and banished from the bench until the end of next season for "obstructive and abusive conduct" towards referee Alan Ferguson following a league game between United and Glasgow Rangers.

• FIFA has announced the dates for the 1986 World Cup Finals. The opening game will be played on May 31 and the final on June 29.

• Arsenal has confirmed Don Howe as its manager on a permanent basis. Howe has been acting in a caretaker capacity since Terry Neill left the Gunners.

• The official auditors of the 1982 World Cup finals claim discrepancies between the accounts presented by FIFA and the Spanish football federation. The profit declared by the Real Federacion Espanola de Futbol is some four million dollars less than FIFA's calculation. Although the auditors do not speculate upon the whereabouts of the missing money, references are made to speculation in foreign currency. The accounts are currently in the hands of legal authorities, who will decide if further action is necessary.

• Watford captain Will Rostrom may miss the FA Cup final through suspension as the result of being sent off against Luton Town on April 28.

• The vital Italian League clash between AS Roma and Juventus attracted a crowd of over 80,000.

• A boycott by professional referees, protesting at crowd violence, resulted in the April 19 Portuguese League fixtures being controlled by amateur officials recruited from spectators.

• France's 1-0 victory over West Germany in Strasbourg can not be interpreted as an indicator for June's European Championship, as both teams were without key players.

• Austria and Greece attracted a crowd of less than 10,000 to their 0-0 draw in Vienna.

• An 80th minute goal by Alex Czerwikowski, whose father is Polish, enabled Belgium to beat Poland 1-0 in Warsaw.

• Canada and Costa Rica will represent the CONCACAF region in the forthcoming Olympic Games.

• Jimmy Nichol, captain for the day, made his farewell appearance for Glasgow Rangers by being sent off during the derby game against Celtic.

• A meagre 6,611 watched Wolverhampton Wanderers' 0-3 home loss to Ipswich Town.

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Junior leagues should be split twice a year!



By KEN KONTRA

• Ken Kontra is a former Victorian State coach.

In a previous article, I wrote about the need to reorganise our coaching set-up, and how this could assist junior development. In addition, there is also a need to provide the best possible competition for our budding stars to ensure progress and so here I will put forward some ideas about junior and youth leagues.

First of all, let us look at the junior competitive age groups. In my opinion these are the under 13 to under 16 groups.

The VSL and JLMC in Victoria have made valiant efforts over the years to grade junior teams with a view to providing balanced competitions. Unfortunately, promotion and relegation does not work quite as successfully with juniors as it does with senior teams.

A lot can (and usually does) happen in a year at these age groups. First of all, there is a significant drop-out rate due to pressure of school work, other sporting interests and temporary (or permanent) withdrawal from active participation in any sport.

Physical advantages or disadvantages such as height, speed and strength, may swing the other way. So junior teams can undergo considerable changes in the quality of their play in a relatively short time. A normal promotion and relegation system can not cater for the contingencies affecting future performance.

I believe teams should be graded twice a year within their age groups, on the following basis: After the first half of the competition, the top four of each division should move up a grade, and the bottom four drop down one. At the end of the season, the same procedure should apply. Balancing the leagues twice a year would result in tighter competitions, so essential for development.

To provide added interest, a play-off be-

tween various regions, based on the NSL Inter-Conference Challenge rounds, should be held at the end of the season. In addition to the obvious advantages to the participants, this competition would provide coaches and administrators from each region with information on a broader comparative basis, which could be turned to good advantage the following year.

Youth Leagues have not been particularly successful in the past, due to the fact that the reserve teams would in most cases take the better players and youth teams are basically for players who cannot make the grade in the reserves.

I believe that we should consider disbanding reserve teams in the State League and Metropolitan 1st division initially, and replacing them a youth competition, to fall in line with current NSL practice.

To cater for players, who need more time to mature, the age limit should be extended to 21, and the inclusion of four over-age players should be allowed, in order to give the senior squad players who have not been selected an opportunity to play.

This step would cut costs for most clubs and also release players, who do not make the senior team at that particular level, to a lower division.

Well-known German coach, Detmar Cramer, on a visit to Australia as FIFA coach, was asked after a coaching seminar, who in his opinion was the best coach. Without hesitating, Cramer retorted: "The game. You learn more in one game than at 10 coaching sessions."

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VIVA ITALIA! with ROCKY DI ZIO



non del tutto eccezionale visto che il calcio è stato spesso giocato su tale campo, ma a Melbourne il tempio del "football australiano" il Melbourne Cricket Ground (capienza 120.000 spettatori) è stato prenotato per la prima volta per un incontro di calcio dal tempo delle Olimpiadi di Melbourne nel 1956.

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che la Juventus va meglio contro le squadre forti che contro quelle deboli. E questa conclusione non è poi tanto un controsenso perché l'arma migliore dei bianconeri di Melbourne è l'orgoglio lo spirito di combattività e l'attaccamento al club che li tratta molto bene (e per club specificamente che intendiamo tutto il club: comitato, allenatore, team manager, tifosi, sponsors, ecc).

In quanto a classe vera e propria la Juventus non è sicuramente l'ultima arrivata (gente come Keogh, Dowie, Rogers, Cullen, Hird, Zinni hanno numeri da vendere) ma ci sono squadre più dotate in questo reparto (Hellas, Croatia e Preston possono vantare più fuoriclasse a seconda dell'interpretazione personale), ma nessun'altra squadra ha il totale di cuore e di combattività della Juventus. Perciò quando l'avversario è forte a mette a dura prova i bianconeri l'orgoglio le fa diventare dei leoni e vediamo gente come Miranda, Gheremia, Lloyd, Swinscoe, Sweeney, Ward, Campbell buttarsi nella mischia come dei gladiatori e supplire con il cuore a qualche deficienza in classe pura: una Juventus in difficoltà, diventa una Juventus pressoché imbattibile!

Domenica la Juventus è scesa sul campo della squadra più in forma del campionato, quell'Hellberg che non perdeva da sei turni e che amovendosi nel suo attacco due dei cannonieri più micidiali del campionato (Petterson e Winn) e che aveva tutti i titolari in perfette condizioni di salute; d'altra parte la Juventus era reduce da una delle sue peggiori prestazioni (contro il Brisbane Lions) e oltre agli infortunati da lunga data (Vince Bannon, Incantapulo e Drinocky) aveva Zinni e Miranda in precarie condizioni fisiche. Il campo di casa dei greci macedoni era un altro svantaggio per gli uomini in bianconero.

La partita cominciava abbastanza equilibrata e la Juventus passava in vantaggio grazie ad un gran tiro da lontano di Miranda che il portiere Oliver non riusciva a trattenere e che Zinni lasciava con un guizzo da galletta. Trovatosi in svantaggio l'Hellberg cominciava a premere con disperazione, classe e metodo ma la Juventus reggeva fino all'intervallo. Nel frattempo la caviglia di Zinni era andata peggiorando, Miranda sembrava non farcela più, Swinscoe stava calando e il vecchio cavallo Rogers era fuori di tanto energia quanto ne userebbe un giocatore di dieci anni più giovane di lui in due intere partite. L'iniziativa della ripresa dava il via ad un assedio serrato dell'Hellberg alla porta di Keogh. Winn veniva ancora controllato da Rogers; ma

Patterson, Petersen, Tsintis, Valentine e Selemidis (tutti giovanissimi, dotati e veloci) prendevano in mano il centrocampo e l'area della Juventus e facevano vedere i scorci verdi alla difesa Juventus che continuava però a resistere alla disperata grazie anche alla man forte che prestavano Miranda, Cullen, Lloyd. Dopo soli sette minuti del secondo tempo la Juventus capitava a causa di un rigore concesso da Gheremia nella foga del difendere a denti stretti. Raggiunto il pareggio l'Hellberg continuava ad imperversare e al 40' Winn riusciva a sganciarsi da Gheremia che lo marciava mentre Rogers aveva perso per un attimo la concentrazione e se ne era andato dietro a Patterson e l'Hellberg passava in vantaggio fra il giubilo dei suoi tifosi.

Nel frattempo Margaritis aveva cambiato Zinni e Swinscoe con Ward e Campbell e una ventina di minuti prima della seconda rete dell'Hellberg si ed il gioco della Juventus si era bilanciato un po' di più, ma non molto perché nel frattempo Hird si era infortunato e aveva continuato a giocare in stato di menomazione poiché non erano permesse altre sostituzioni. Così a cinque minuti dalla fine sembrava che l'Hellberg dovesse continuare la sua serie positiva e che avrebbe raggiunto la Juventus in testa alla classifica a quota 13.

E qui che la musica è cambiata. Ward finalmente ne broccava una delle sue (un'altra aveva fatto vincere la partita contro l'Hellas) e riusciva a controllare una difficile palla sulla linea laterale. Evitava quindi due avversari e metteva un traversone sul lato opposto dove Campbell alzava a candela di testa quindi riprendeva nuovamente di testa e passava a Sweeney che i difensori gialli avevano lasciato libero per andare a contestare il testista di Campbell, la testa del centravanti non perdonava.

L'ormai insperato pareggio era stato così raggiunto ed i tifosi bianconeri pregavano che l'arbitro fischiasse al più presto possibile. Palla a centro, qualche scambio e l'indemoniato Cullen riusciva ad impadronirsi della palla, fuga centrale evitando un paio di difensori e quindi tiro finale che non aveva nessuna possibilità di riuscita e si stava avviando verso la linea di fondo sulla sinistra del portiere; arrivava però Miranda come un dritissimo, controllava e sparava da posizione angolata infilando la palla in un varco, di qualche millimetro più largo della sfera, fra il palo ed un paio di difensori. Era la più incredibile rimonta vista da molto tempo da parte di una squadra che era bella che spacciata solo a cinque minuti dalla fine, non solo per la rete di svantaggio ma anche perché i suoi

giocatori erano provatissimi ed in cattive condizioni fisiche.

Il gran cuore della vecchia signora aveva avuto ragione della maggior forza dell'avversario.

Alla fine di questa memorabile partita la Juventus si trova sempre più solitaria in cima alla classifica e ben distanziata dalla avversaria più pericolosa (4 punti dall'Hellberg, 5 punti dal S.M. Hellas, e dal Preston, 6 punti dal Croatia).

Ancora un paio di partite e poi il campionato verrà interrotto per il torneo internazionale di maggio-giugno. Per quando riprenderà la Juventus potrebbe riprendere a fare la favorita del precampionato di acciuffare questa incredibile Juventus dal cuore di squadra campione!

Per quanto riguarda il resto della Lega Nazionale, da segnalare la convincente vittoria dell'APIA sulla spauracchia del Sydney City che per l'occasione subiva la sua prima sconfitta stagionale; purtroppo la squadra di Botallo dopo tale importante vittoria andava a scivolare su quella che, a paragone della squadra ebrea, si è dimostrata la classica buccia di banana: domenica la striminzita sconfitta per 0-1 da parte del Croatia di Sydney negava all'APIA un meritato primo posto in classifica. Comunque la squadra di Leichardt è in ottima posizione per passare in testa alla prima occasione.

Il Marconi, come avevamo previsto dall'inizio sfortunato del suo campionato, continua a macinare risultati altisonanti; questa volta il Wollongong ne ha beccate quattro che portano il totale messo a segno dalla squadra italiana ben 25 reti (in solo dieci partite!). Brisbane City e Adelaide Juventus hanno invece accusato battute d'arresto ed ormai possono cominciare a rassegnarsi al ruolo di squadre secondarie.

Nel campionato statale del Victoria continua ad imperversare il Fawceter che ha allungato a due punti il distacco dalla prima inseguitrice, il Polonia, e sta seminando le altre a distanze più incalcolabili considerando che gli Azurri di McLeod continuano a migliorare con il passare delle partite.

Battuta d'arresto per la Triestina che ha perso il primato in classifica ma ha forse imparato una provvidenziale lezione di non prendere il campionato troppo facile da adesso in poi. Il Thornamtown si è consolidato alla testa della prima divisione, mentre continua ad avanzare l'East Brunswick nella quarta divisione.

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Ετό κάτω - κάτω να έχουν τέτοια πρόθεση τό καλύτερο ποδ θά έχουν να κάνουν είναι να μην έχουν προπονητή και να τά φτιάχνουν ό-λα μόνοι τους.

Τό γράφουμε γιατί τά παράπονα μας έρχονται από παντού και όχι μόνο από μικρές ομάδες μας αλλά και από... μεγαλύτερες.

Ο ΤΡΑΜΙΑΛΟΓΙΑΣ ΚΟΝΤΑ ΣΤΗΝ ΑΙΜΝΗ

"Εμφανίστηκε δ' Προμηθέας όχι στην αίμνη του Λοχρέυ αλλά σ' αούτ' του Μίντιλ Πάρκ και μάλιστα με ένα γράμμα στο χέρι για να φάει ένα αλλητολογισμό. Μάλιστα δ' πρόεδρος του συλλόγου άν και γνωρίζει πώς δ' ήμας τόδ Χάρρυ Κλόν δεν μπορεί να..." προχωρήσει για τί μετά είναι γκρεμός", στο τέλος τόδ έδωσε και τις ελλογίες του και την άδεια να προ-χωρήσει.

—Προχώρα παρακάτω...

—Πού θά προχωρήσει πιδίμ από ύν γκρεμός...

—Μαρή προχώρα που σόν έλω...

Καλή σου άρα Χάρρυ Κλόν κατ' έξρις έσθ με τον Τραμιάλο. Μόνο ποδ δ' πρόεδρος, τώρα μάλιστα ποδ κινδυνεύει και ή θέση του θά έ πρεπε να είναι πιδ έπιφυλακτικός σε κατ' έτεροις περιπτώσεις.

ΣΤΗΝ ΑΙΣΤΡΑ Ο ΜΙΟΥΣΙΚΑΙΣ

"Αντρέας Μπουζίκας ποδ όθονερ είναι έπιση μα στην λίστα των μεταγραφών του Ιταλικού συλλόγου για 5.000 δολάρια.

ΝΙΚΗΣΕ Η ΚΑΡΝΑΙΤΑ

Παίζοντας καλό ποδόσφαιρο ή Κάρναιτ πήρε τό ντέρμπυ με τό Μάβερν 2-0.

Τά γκολ πέτυχαν οι Α.Χαραλάμπους 58" και Β.Γκατζής 67" με πέναλτυ. Στο 55' άπε-βλήθ δ' τερματοφύλακας Κασίμης.

"Έπαιξαν οι Κασίμης (55") Τσακμειρή (58") Φεργά δίστης, Έλζης, Κοντέσας, Αρβανίτης, Α. και Β. Γκατζής, Φέλεν, Φρίνι, Α.Χαραλάμπους και Αποστολόπουλος ποδ ήταν και καλύτερος παί-κτης της συνάντησης.

ΕΚΚΑΤΑΒΕΙΒΑΝ ΤΟΝ ΠΕΛΟΠΑ

Δύο βασικοί παίκτες του Πέλοπα δ' Χάρης Φι-λίπης και δ' Γιάννης Αρβανίτης, άνήκουν από την περασμένη βδομάδα στην Κάρναιτ.

Σίγουρα ήταν λάθος των άρσβλων και του τεχνικού Τ.Μανταράκη ποδ άφισαν τούς παί-τες να φύγουν.

Ο ΗΡΑΚΛΗΣ ΚΑΙ Ο Κ.ΓΟΥΤΑΛΙΑΝΕ

Τό VSF άνέθεσε στον Κ.Στήβ Γουττλιαμς την άπευθυνότητα σχετικά με την παραμονή του "Ηρακλή" σεσσονιλικής στην Μελβούρνη.

ΕΧΑΣΕ Ο ΠΥΘΑΓΟΡΑΣ

Την πρώτη του ήττα έκανε στο πρωτάθλημα δ' Πυθαγόρας με 2-0 από τό Γ.Μελμπουρν.

"Η έλληνηκή ομάδα είχε την άποψη στο Β' μέρος και έχασε πολλές εύκαιρίες, ενώ στο 30' δ' Κατάλικο έχασε πέναλτυ.

Σεχώσαν οι Κόκκας, Αποστολόπουλος, Κατρίτ-σολιαν.

"Έπαιξαν οι Τσιουμής, Γ.Τσακμειρή, Γ.Κακα-βόλης, Καζένης, Κατρίτς, Γουττλιαμς, Κατάλικο (65") Τριανταφύλλου, Κόκκας, Φ.Τσακμειρή, Γ.Κακα-βόλης, Λαμπετσός (20") Χατζηπαναγιώτης, Άπο-στολόπουλος.

"Η Β' ομάδα νίκησε 3-0 (Ζαπαφής 2, Λούρι-δης).

ΔΕΙΝ ΣΕΒΥΣΕ ΑΙΟ ΤΗΝ ΜΕΤΡΩΤΗΤΗ Η ΕΛΛΑΣ

Μέ δύο γκολ τό Μπράουν ποδ ήλθαν με την λήξη του καθε ήμιχρόνου (44" και 89") ή Ελ-λάς πήρε την νίκη από την "πεθαμένη" Κρο-ατία μέσα στο "Ολμπικ Πάρκ, χωρίς να μάς πείσει ότι έπαιζε ποδόσφαιρο.

Τέ λάθη των παικτών της κυανολεύκου ήταν πολλά και τό θέμα ποδ μάς έδωσε άνη μάς νω ήταν φταχθ' έλάφ φτωχότατο.

Καιμιά καλή ένέργεια, κανένανς περίτεχνος συνδυασμός, κανένα πρόγραμμα και ούδέμια τακτική μέσα στον άγωνιστικό χώρο.

Αούτ' ήμας ή "Ελλάς" της περασμένης Κυρια-κής με τούς πολλούς άκροβλημένους παίκτες της.

Ακούσε έλάμ οι παίκτες του Μακέντρου μέσα στο όμορφο "Ολμπικ Πάρκ και στο τό-λο είδαμε και μερικούς παρπόντες της Ελλάς να... χαμογέλανε έκασπονημένοι προφανώς από την "μεγάλη" νίκη.

Βιελς νοίζουμε ότι θά έπρεπε να ήλαινε με την άποψη της ομάδας τους.

YUGOSLOVENSKA SCENA

ΤΡΕΚΑ ΠΟΒΕΔΑ Ο ΓΟΥΣΤΙΜΑ

JUSTOVI rezultati nemaju logike. Proste nedelje su "plavi" osvojili nova dva boda, ali opet u gostima. Venogatino JUST je jedini klub u Nacionalnoj ligi, koji na svom igralistu jos nije osvojio ni jedan bod iako je bio domacin 4 puta.

Veliko je pitanje da li ce timaler razliti u nedelju 12. maja protiv starog rivala Croatiaje, sa kojim ima jako blizane. Ove godine u pocnom kupu Croatia je visoko porazila "plave" sa 3:0, ali od tada se razlika u snazi smanjila u korist JUSTA.

JUST je pobedio George Crossa sa 2:0, ali nije odusevno nikoga svojom igrom. George Cross je bio bolji tim veci vremena i pravo je cudu da nije postigao nekoliko golova na pocetku ama poluvremena.

Trener Cirgovic dobro zna mane svog tima, koji ima svega par kompletnih poverdenja. Ostali igraju sa promjenljivom formom, cak su neki balast kad kolu krenu nizbrdo.

Protiv George Crossa hra-malica je sredina, ali na srecu mlado Braci Vlatko Belic i Ariel Perez Reigosa odigrali su igru zivota. Zahvaljujuci njihovom neprestanom zalaganju protivnicka mreza bila je u opasnosti kad god JUST krene u protivnicku polovinu.

Proste nedelje mladi tim Soric Melburna pobedio je Croatiaje sa 2:1, dok su Makedonija i Green Gully igrali nereseno 1:1.

Treba znati da su najbolji igraoci Gary McDowell i Zdravko Lujic igrali poverdenje, sto nije proslo nezapaeno, ali srecom nije uticalo narezu. Jamie Paton nije se doveo video, ali je ipak postigao dva gola sto ce ga okruziti da se vise zalaze i bori za naziv najboljeg strelca, koja mu je prosle godine za malo izmakla.

Mladi tim JUSTA na drama-tican nacin savladao je George Crossa u predigri sa 4:3, posto e domacin vodio sa 2:0 i Belic za dva tri gola krivi u odbran-beni mladi igraoci, koji su ne-potrebno zaradili dva jed-naestera i postigli jedan autogol. Obraz su osvetlili Paul Simic i Jimmy Fernandez sa po 2 gola.

Sastav mladog tima: Peter

Marino Oblak, Radovan Bar-jaktarevic, Ljubomir Barjaktarevic, Claude Paz, Jaime Fernandez, Zoran Pasoski, Pavle Simic, Janos Volf (od 46 minuta Antony Marchetti), Eduardo Vega.

Sledece nedelje sastaju se mladi timovi JUSTA i Croatiaje na JUSTOVOM igralistu u pre-digri prvih timova. Glavnu utakmicu sudi Stuart Mellings.

NAVALA JE AHILLOVA PETA MAKEDONIJE

Makedonija je ponovo nadi-grala protivnika, ali morala je da pomiri sa podelom bod-ova. Green Gully je vodio sa 1:0 dobar deo utakmice, iz-jednacevise je doslo pred kraj utakmice i to ne zaslugom na-nalnih igrica Makedonije vec autogolom gostiju.

Gary Cole je ponovo razaca-rao, jer je najmanje tri sase koje nije smeo da promisi. De-finitivno je izgubio orien-taciju pred golom i bio bi pametno da se malo odmori na klupi za rezervne igrace.

U nedelju 13. maja Makedonija tekaz ispi na Olympic Parku, gde je docekuje vodci Juventus, koji je najvise izne-nadjenje ovogodisnje sezone. Utakmicu sudi Chris Bambridge, a njegovi su pomocnici I. Stojkovic i G. Blakey. U pre-digri se sastaju mladi timovi. Proste nedelje mladi tim Soric Melburna pobedio je Croatiaje sa 2:1, dok su Makedonija i Green Gully igrali nereseno 1:1.

PRVA DIVIZIJA

Altona Gate/VARDAR - Kew Park Rangers 0:1 (0:0). Gosti su postigli gol u 89. minuti, a dotle su igraoci Vardara radili sta su hteli do gola. Med-jutim, kada je trebalo zavrsiti akciju petljalo se do iznemog-losti.

Sastav Vardara: Chris Di-mitrijević, Steve Dimovski, Jimmy Derivisevski, Jozo Se-tovitski, Chris Tundjević, Lube Talevski, Boris Gelevski, Venco Bozinovski (Cele Ta-levski), Zlatko Veljanovski, Fre Beller, Peter Kuzmanov-ski.

Rezerve su igrane nereseno 1:1.

U subotu 12. maja Vardar je

Lewis Twohig Reserve, Car-liton Rd., Dandenong.

DRUGA DIVIZIJA

Waverley City - Ring-wood/SRBIA 0:1 (0:0). Ne samo sto je prvi put pobedila, vec je FK Srbija pruila od-lucni igru, koja obećava bolje dane. Trener Mirko Rujevic poceo je obilato da koristi mlade talente, koji ce do godine biti vec zreli igraoci.

Jedini gol postigao je Peter Vauchoir iz jedanaestera u 50. minutu.

Rezerve su igrane nereseno 1:1.

U subotu 12. maja Ring-wood/Srbija igra protiv Jan-galistu protiv Sandringham Citya. Na tabeli Ringwood/Sr-bija je jedanaesta sa 5 bod-ova.

"PLAVI" IZ SPRINGVALE PONOVNO POBEDIJU

SPRINGVALE Utd - Rose-bud 3:0 (2:0). Strelci: Milan Stojkovic 2 i autogol. Malo golova prema zrelim sansama.

Sastav: Milan Mandic, Ilija Kerezovic, Petar Dekic, George Kaim, Sasa Ivan-jagist, Ivan Simec, Pero Dan-govski (Djuro Sivec od 60. minuta), Milenko Culibrk, Dragoslav Jelici (Goran Veljo-vic od 70. minuta), Milan Stojkovic, Aleksandar Veleviski.

Rezerve je pregazila Rose-bud sa 11:0 (6:0). Strelci: senad Sabitovic 4, Zek Tepic 2, Joe Francisti 2, Ljubomir Vel-jovic, Ferenc Tot i autogol.

"Plavi" iz Springvala su drugi na tabeli sa istim brojem bodova kao Yarraville, ali sa nesto losijom golrazlikom.

U subotu 12. maja igraju Jug-derbi "Plavi" iz Spring-vala i Lale/Sloga na imanju Jugoslovenskog radnickog centra u Kaysborough.

Lalor/SLOGA - Green-sborough 0:0. Vrlo dobra i uz-budljiva utakmica. Sloga je imala bolje sansa, ali nes-petne strelce. Boge Kraleviski bio je najbolji strijelac. Pogodio jedanput statusu.

Sastav Sloga: Tom Paskov-ski, Viktor Stojanovski, Peter Karanovski, George Josovski, Nik Morihovits, Riste Nice-vski (Bil Petrevski od 65. min-uta), Boge Kraleviski, Viktor

Nikolovski od 75. minuta), George Ilias.

Rezerve su igrane nereseno 1:1 (0:0).

TEZAK PORAZ ZVEZDE

Boronia - Central City/Crvna zvezda 5:0 (2:0). Rezultat ne otkriva prave uzroke ovog visokog poraza. U 28. minutu razvratnom Ivica Karic prenel je u bolnicu zbog povrede na ovoj utakmici. Pao je i udario u ivcnjak, pa je tesko ozledio levu ruku i desno rame. U 71. minutu sudija je prestogro iskljucio zornu i Petra Knicu.

Sastav Zvezde: Nikola Popo-vice, Petar Knic, Goran Simic, Nebojsa Dragovicelj, Zoran Krmic, Midrag Velickovic, Edil Krl, Dragan Milenkovic, Zoran Rokсанд (Sasa Mile-nkovic od 51.), Miki Cvetkovski i Ivica Karic (Mile Jovanovic od 28. minuta).

Pobedila je iz rezerva Boro-nia sa 6:1 (4:0). Pocietni gol postigao je George. Najbolji igraoci Stevica Mecaivin, Borce, Belokozovski i Milorad Miloje-vice.

Monash University - Car-liton/MLADOST 1:1 (0:1). Mladost je povel sa 1:0 preko Emilia Theocharidis, ali je pred kraj utakmice domacin uspeo da izjednači.

Sastav Mladosti: Vladica Mitrovic, Boris Sribnovski, Zarko Stefanovic, Mirko Beker, Zoran Kmetovic, Tome Naumovski, Hong Chuc Ngo, Cane Trajkovski, Emilio Theo-charidis, M. Zivkovic (Toma Pitta i Kire Lavancanski), Dusko Atanasovski.

Rezerve je izgubila sa 5:1. Strelac Trajan Ardeljan.

Chelsea - Hawksburn 3:3. Nedostaju nam detalji sa ove utakmice koja je obilovala go-lovima.

Na tabeli prve provincialne divizije Carlton Mladost jos uvek nepozvana nalazi se na centrom mestu sa 11 bodova. Hawksburn je sest sa 10 bod-ova, dok je Crvena zvezda sedma sa 9 bodova.

U subotu 12. maja Hawk-sburn je domacin Claytonu, Crvena zvezda docekuje Balla, rat na Como Parku i Carlton-/Mladost igra protiv She-par-tona na Grey Reserve u

PORAZNI VOJVODINA I PE-LISTER

Nunawading Utd - Pascoe Vale/PELISTER 1:0 (1:0). Navala je ponovo bila slabija deo Pelistera. Sa ovim porazom Pelister se spustio na deveto mesto sa 7 bodova. U subotu 12. maja Pelister je domacin Abbottsfordu na Cole Reserve, Cumberland Road.

South Yarra - Altona-/VOJVODINA 3:1 (1:1). Vojvo-dina je, po obicaju, pocela dobro i povel sa 1:0 u 28. minu-tu, a onda se uspravala. Zadnja dva minuta South Yarra je postigla dva neob-dranjiva gola.

Sastav Vojvodine: Pavle Oravec, Zivko Jovanovski, George Korozit, Tome Di-movski, Jovan Cankovic, Alex Micevski (od 55. minuta An-drija Merarik), Veljko Dupor, Zoran Derivisevski (od 60. Steve Vonja), Adam Miller, Paul Gallo, Slobodan Dimitrije-vice.

Najbolji igraoci: Paul Gallo, Jovan Cankovic i Slobodan Di-mitrijević.

Rezerve je nadigrala pro-tivnika, ali je ipak izgubila sa 0:1 (0:0). Najbolji igraoci George Christou, Pavle Oravec i Misa Oravec.

Vojvodina je na tabeli osma sa 7 bodova.

U subotu 12. maja Altona-/Vojvodina igra protiv Nunaw-ading Uniteda na Paisley Re-serve u North Altoni.

NOVI USPEN "BEOGRADA"

Port Union - Hamp-ton/BEGRAD 1:3 (0:2). Strelci: Drago Vujic, Bozidar Milosavljevic i Dragoljub Jan-kovic.

Najbolji igraoci Drago Vujic, H. Mustafa i Dragoljub Janko-vice.

Hampton/Beograd je sest sa 9 bodova na tabeli druge proviz. divizije.

U subotu 12. maja Hamp-ton/Beograd gost je Lyndale Uniteda.

"BOSNA" DOBILA JUGO-DEBBI

Richmond/BOSNA 1:4 (0:1). Do 30. minuta igra je bila ravnomerna, a tada je Ibro Hadziabdic zapoceo da hara po kaunemom prostoru protivnika. Nisu mogli da ga zaustave, pa su ga srusili sudija je opravdano dosudio jedanaestera. Igor Muka-vec je izveo penal sa jakim udar-cem prema levoj ugli, ali golman je uspeo da odbije loptu ispred sebe. Zarko Stanimirov je uletao na vreme i onog puta savadno golmana. U saradnji sa Zarkom Stanimiro-vim i Petkom Tomicev, Ibro Hadziabdic je postigao tri gola. Veliki pljusak i grad us-porili su razigranu Bosnu, sto je Plavi Dunav iskoristio da smanji na 4:1 preko Mihajla Djalmasa.

Sastav Bosne: Adem Becre-vice, Dragan Petrovic, Zeljko Mikulic, Mladen Kresinger, Branko Gavran, Igor Muka-vec, Ibro Hadziabdic, Frank Erdedi, Zarko stanimirov, Petko Tomic, Dragan Miljovic.

Igrac usknicke bio je Ibro Hadziabdic.

Rezerve: Plavi Dunav - Bosna 2:4 (0:2). Strelci za

Bosnu: Dragan Ostojic, Mu-hamed Tubic i Senad Husarevic 2.

Na tabeli Bosna zauzima sesto mesto sa 7 bodova, a Plavi Dunav je jedno mesto ispred sa istim brojem bodova.

U subotu 12. maja Rich-mond/Bosna docekuje Ascot Vale City na Burnley Ovalu, dok je Plavi Dunav gost Mon-bulka.

INDUSTRIJSKI KUP

Tarax - Sunbury 3:1 (1:0). Strelci: V. Pagonis i Chris Fergudon 2.

Altona/ILINDEN 2:1. Strelci za Ilinden Trajko Sece-ovski i Tome Alipondopoulos. Najbolji igraoci: Srebre Angel-ovski, Tode Angelovski i Cane Dukovski.

AMATERSKO PRAVENSTVO

JADRAN - Lalor City 2:0 (1:0). Robert Stofa ponovo se upisao u strelce.

U nedelju 13. maja Jadran je gost Ringwood Roversa.

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SPARKLING SOCCER THIS WEEKEND

Saturday May 11 & Sunday May 12



NATIONAL CONFERENCE



Wayne Evans
Brisbane Lions

Brisbane Lions v. Blacktown

at RICHLANDS
SUNDAY 3 pm
Previous NSL results

Lions 1 win
1 draw

Footscray v. Melbourne Croatia

at SCHINTLER RESERVE
SUNDAY 3 pm.

No previous NSL results



Shaun Parton
Croatia



Paul Lewis
Green Gully

Green Gully v. Brisbane City

AT GULLY RESERVE,
SUNDAY 3 pm

No previous NSL results

Juventus v. Preston

AT OLYMPIC PARK NO. 1
SUNDAY 3 pm

No previous NSL results



Robert Curran
Juventus



Doug Brown
South Melbourne

South Melbourne v. Adelaide City

AT MIDDLE PARK
SUNDAY 3 pm

Previous NSL results
South 5 wins
Adelaide City 3 wins
4 draws

West Adelaide v. Heidelberg

AT HINDMARSH
SUNDAY 2.30 pm

Previous NSL results
West Adelaide 4 wins
Heidelberg 5 wins
5 draws



John Papazoglou
West Adelaide

AUSTRALIAN CONFERENCE



Robert Cox
Newcastle

Newcastle Rosebuds v. Sunshine George Cross

AT ADAMSTOWN OVAL
SATURDAY 2.30 pm

No previous NSL results

Penrith v. Canberra Arrows

AT COOK PARK
SUNDAY 3 pm

No previous NSL results



Steve Bryant
Canberra



Sydney City v. Marconi

AT SYDNEY ATHLETIC FIELD

Sunday 3 pm

Previous NSL results

Sydney City 3 wins

Marconi 0 wins

1 draw

Sydney Olympic v. Leichhardt

PRATTEN PARK
SUNDAY 3 pm

Previous NSL results

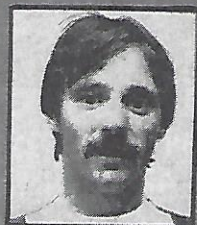
Olympic 5 wins

Leichhardt 2 wins

1 draw



Graham Jennings
Sydney Olympic



Alex McPherson
Melita Eagles

Sydney Croatia v. Melita Eagles

AT KING TOMISLAV PARK
SUNDAY 3 pm

No previous NSL results

Wollongong v. St George

AT WOLLONGONG
SHOWGROUNDS

Previous NSL results

Wollongong 0 wins

St George 2 wins

2 draws



Wollongong
St George